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**CHRISTMAS SPIRIT**--Grayling Elementary students in Mrs. Rauch-Smock's class showed Christmas spirit last week when they bought toys to donate to the Business and Professional Women's Christmas baskets for needy families. The students spent money they could have used to exchange gifts with each other. Kmart offered discounts on the toys. (Linda Wright photo)

## Commissioners want to change high percentage of state land here

By Lori Swarthout

Commissioners Dennis Long and Bob Smock will be meeting with a representative of Senator Carl Levin's office, Pat McCullum, to discuss possible solutions to northern Michigan's tax base/land ownership issue. Long reported that he had contacted the senator's office by phone regarding the issue and that Levin was willing to work with a committee from the county on the issue.

Smock made the issue part of his campaign this fall, suggesting that to improve the county's overall economy, the state should pass legislation requiring itself to either return 50% of the mineral rights to the county, pay the higher ad valorem taxes rather than "swamp tax" on each acre of land it owns in the county, or begin selling state land in the county to the private sector so that within a three year span 51% of county land is again privately owned.

Smock indicated later in the meeting that he was also working on the public

land issue with the Michigan Association of Counties (M.A.C.) and will be meeting with key figures early in January.

### PROPOSED BUDGET

The ways and means committee will hold its final meeting of the year December 24 for the purpose of finishing the county budget for approval by the whole board. One of the items to be considered by ways and means for 1993 is a proposal by the undersheriff appointee Art Clough for an animal control officer. Budget cuts have left the county without an animal control officer for the last year. Commissioner Loren Goodale, chair of ways and means, has indicated that a part-time animal control officer may be within the county's budget constraints for 1993.

In discussion of the issue, it was pointed out that with privatization of the animal shelter, a part-time animal control officer would provide at least as effective coverage for the community and maybe even better.

Discussion of the issue ended with the appointment of Sheriff-elect Dave Lovely and Commissioners Long and Goodale as a committee to work out an approach to the position. Other items ways and means will be considering for the tentative budget include a new mobile command center (radio) for central dispatch, and publication of a synopsis of the full

board's minutes in the Avalanche.

The tentative 1993 budget will be considered at a public hearing December 29 during their regular meeting, which begins at 9:30 a.m.

### COUNTY ROADS

Lovells Township Supervisor Fred Schaibly appeared before the board to request their consideration of

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## School board to ask community for answers

Following a December 15 bond issue rejection of an elementary school addition, the Crawford AuSable School Board has scheduled a workstudy session Monday, January 11, to review election results and discuss ways to solve overcrowding problems.

The board wants to look at short-term and long-range plans to handle

the overcrowding in schools.

A bond proposal to build an addition and make other improvements to existing buildings was defeated by district voters 1423 no to 807 yes. Precinct I residents in the Grayling area voted 1044 no to 699 yes. Precinct II residents in the Frederic area voted 262 no to 76 yes. Precinct III residents in the Lovells area voted 117 no to 33 yes.

A millage proposal to operate the additional building was defeated 1425 no to 796 yes. Precinct I residents voted 1056 no to 686 yes. Precinct II residents voted 258 no to 78 yes. Precinct III residents voted 111 no to 32 yes.

"It was a pretty big defeat," said Crawford AuSable superintendent Kent Reynolds. "The board is going to discuss some method of gathering information from the community on what it wants."

Reynolds said surveys haven't worked very well in the past. The school board has placed issues on the ballot based on survey information, and the issues have not been approved by the voters.

The school board approved the workstudy session at its Monday, December 21, regular meeting. Its next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 18. The board is trying to figure out as soon as possible how to handle a shortage of classrooms expected at the middle school and elementary grades next fall.

## Grayling woman dies in I-75 accident

By Lori Swarthout

Sandra Kay Bartlebaugh, 46, of Grayling, was killed around 12:30 Saturday afternoon, December 19, when the vehicle she was in attempted to pass another and ran into the I-75 North Business Loop median.

vehicle and partially pinning another underneath. The jaws of life were used to remove one person. Deputies found Bartlebaugh dead at the scene. The other three injured persons were transported to Mercy Hospital.

Deputies were assisted at the scene by Frederic Township Fire and Ambulance Units, the D.N.R., the county road commission and Northflight E.M.S. and Beebe believe seatbelts were not being used, or used improperly at the time of the fatal accident.

The accident was reported to 911 by Houghton Lake Michigan State Police Postinvestigator Thomas Beebe. After leaving the north bound I-75 lane, the vehicle apparently rolled over and hit a tree, throwing two people from the

## Grayling man killed in airplane crash

By Lori Swarthout

An eleven-hour search for a missing plane found Arthur Wallace Huffman, 41, of Grayling, and John Charles Meyers, 45, of Gaylord dead at the crash scene, early Saturday morning, December 19.

vanished from Minnesota Air Traffic Control radar shortly after the distress call was received and a search was started which involved Gaylord State Police, Otsego County Deputies, the Civil Air Patrol, the Traverse City Coast Guard, and additional civilian volunteers.

According to the Gaylord State Police, Huffman and Wallace had taken off from Otsego County Airport early Saturday morning, and shortly thereafter, around 5 a.m., Minnesota Air Traffic Control received a report of ice clogging the carburetor of their Piper Eagle airplane. The plane

The plane, and both of the victims, each of whom was a licensed pilot, were found about 4:15 p.m. in Section 13 of Dover Township of Otsego County. The cause of the accident is still under investigation by the Federal Aviation Administration.

## Local Lottery players won \$585,650 in prizes

The Michigan Lottery celebrated its 20th anniversary in November. Since its inception in 1972, the Lottery has awarded more than \$6 billion in prizes to players and provided more than \$5 billion to Michigan's K-12 public education system. To top it off, the Lottery has reached an all-time record this year with sales soaring to nearly \$1.22 billion.

In fiscal year 1991/92, Crawford County residents won a total of

\$585,650 in prizes.

\*665 Daily 3 game winners won a total of \$75,356.

\*114 Daily 4 game winners won a total of \$26,745.

\*595 Lotto winners won a total of \$83,500.

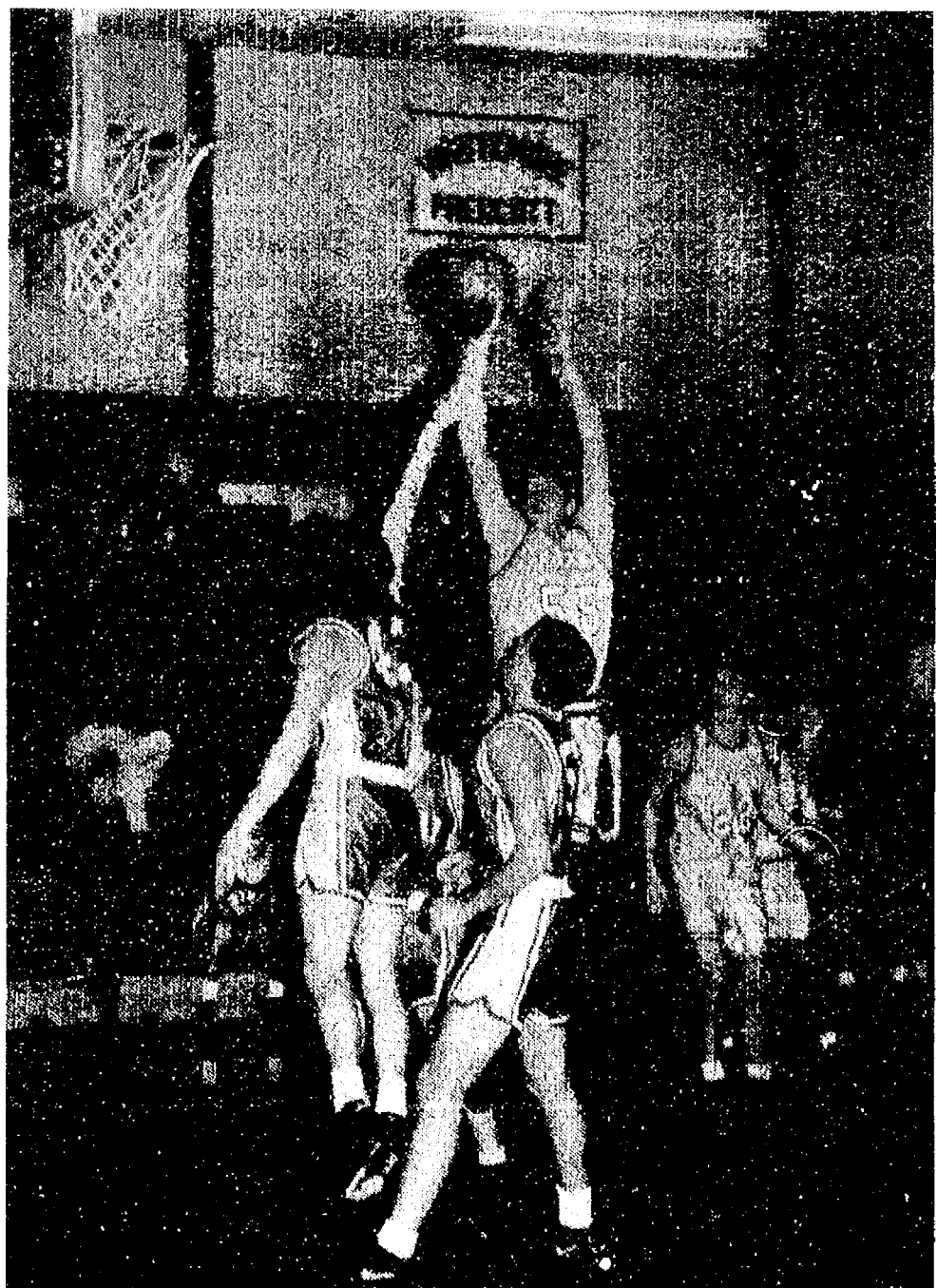
\*660 Zinger and Cash 5 winners won a total of \$26,590.

\*2,296 KENO! winners won a total of \$21,352.

\*\$352,107 was won by players of instant games.



**SNOW HOLIDAY MESSAGE**--The Miller family in the city of Grayling crafted a snow wall with a holiday message for all. (Linda Wright photo)

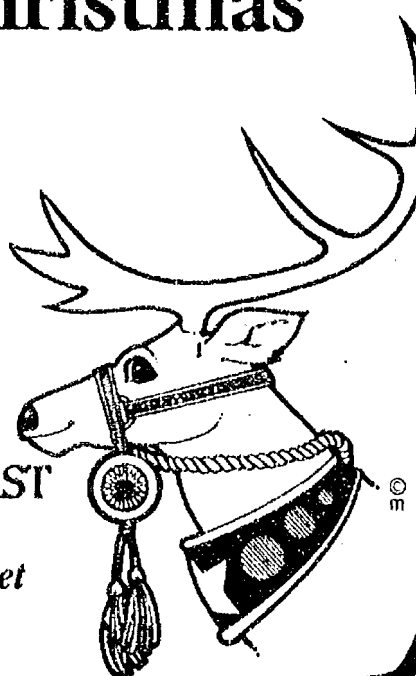



**VIKINGS SOAR**--Grayling has been head and shoulders above its opponents this year as the Vikings opened the season with three straight wins. Matt Cragg (55) scores from the paint against Onaway last Friday. See game results inside. (Laurie Mier photo)

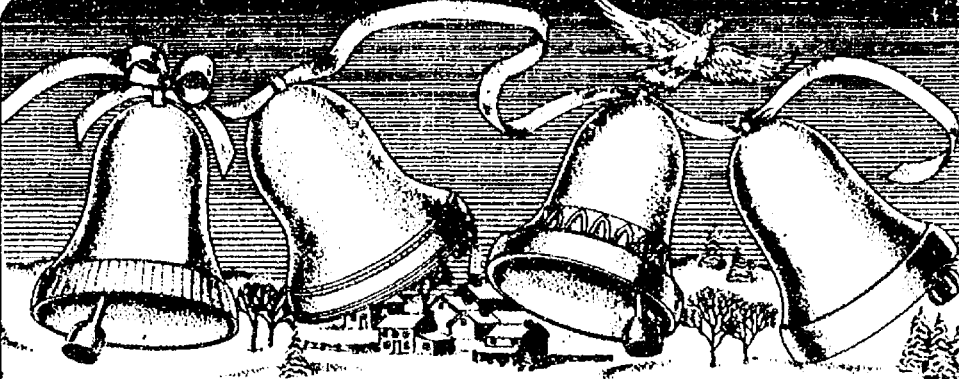


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## 46th Circuit Court

Appearing before the Honorable William A. Porter, December 7:

Billy Ryan of Grayling, was arraigned for being absent without leave from a residential treatment program, in violation of his probation. Ryan requested a court appointed attorney and the court entered a plea of not guilty on record.

Richard Allen Flicker, age 26 of Houghton Lake, pled guilty to Count II: Criminal Sexual Conduct 4th Degree. In exchange for his plea Count I: Criminal Sexual Conduct 3rd Degree will be dismissed. It is expected that he will be sentenced to one year in the County Jail.

Samuel Keith Moon, age 58 of The Michigan Department of Corrections, pled guilty to: Prisoner Possessing Contraband. In exchange for his plea a Habitual Offender charge will be dismissed. It is expected that he will spend six consecutive months in the MI Department of Corrections.

James Michael Carr, age 50 of Commerce Township, pled guilty to an added Count IV: Attempted Carrying a Concealed Weapon. In exchange for his plea all other charges

will be dismissed. It is expected that he will be sentenced to 30 days in the County Jail.

David Robert Kaniecki, age 29 of Grand Blanc, was placed on 12 months probation for: Attempted Felonious Assault. He is to pay \$400 Court Costs, \$30 to the Crime Victims Fund and \$30 a month Probation Oversight Fees.

Joel Thaddeus Thatcher, age 21 of Roscommon, appeared in Circuit Court for Violation of Probation. On or about 6/16/92, Thatcher was convicted of Larceny \$100 or Less in 83rd District Court, an offense committed on or about 2/1/92. Thatcher pled guilty to the probation violation.

Michael Andrew Beck, age 21 of Roscommon, was sentenced on Ct. I: Failure to Report; Ct. IV: Malicious Destruction of Property, which were in violation of his probation. He was sentenced from 30-120 months in The Michigan Department of Corrections, with credit for 11 months, 18 days for time previously served. The court recommended that he be placed in the Alternative to Incarceration Program,

if screened eligible.

William James Hawley, age 33 of Grayling, was arraigned on the charge of Criminal Sexual Conduct—Second Degree. Hawley pled not guilty. Bond was continued.

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## Leech promoted to manager of Salem generating station

Public Service Electric and Gas Company has announced the recent promotion of J. Nathan Leech at the Artificial Island nuclear power complex.

Leech, formerly a project manager, has been named Manager of Salem Projects.

He will be responsible for the management and planning of major modifications at Salem Generating Station. Under his direction, project managers ensure the completion of engineering packages and the installation and closeout of major projects.

Leech served in the U.S. Navy following graduation from Purdue University in 1972, with a B. S. in Aeronautical Engineering. He continued to serve as a commander in the U.S. Naval Reserve.

Since joining PSE & G in 1985, Leech has served as principal engineer in Nuclear Licensing and as a project manager in Engineering and Plant Betterment.

Leech in Wilmington, Delaware, with his wife, Mary, and three children, Nathan Jr., Lindsay, and Aaron.

He is the son of James and Betty Leech of Grayling.

### Cards of thanks

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank the Grayling Fire and Police Departments for the escort of Santa to the Knights of Columbus children's party.

## Range Firing


Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling in the following areas:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd). Firing will be from December 23 through December 24, and December 29 through December 30.

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## Happy Holidays




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# Deadly new drug distributed in U.P.

By Lori Swarthout

State police and local authorities in the U.P. have been busting labs producing methcathinone, commonly called "cat," a dangerous imitation of the illegal narcotic methamphetamine. According to Grayling City Police Chief Peter Stephan, the potent combination of druggo, special paint thinners, and over-the-counter stimulants have not been found locally but he is concerned that the problem will spread here on its way south.

According to a *Detroit News* article which appeared September 27, cat is a "powdered drug so potent it dwarfs crack cocaine and heroin in its addictive punch." Stephan says several things about this new drug make it very scary. First of all, several of the main ingredients are non-controlled substances available at local hardware and drug stores. Secondly, manufacture of cat can be set up almost anywhere, with a minimum of equipment. Finally, batches of the dangerous substance vary, depending on the skill of the "chemist," the quality of the ingredients, and a number of other factors.

Stephan points out that many of the ingredients are hazardous in

themselves, and that when large quantities of them are massed in small places, they can adversely affect the person producing the cat. According to the *Detroit News* article, some of these chemists have tested similar substances by providing free samples. If the victim suffered harmful effects or died, the drug went back to the lab for revision.

Stephan says the substance is a white powder with an appearance very similar to cocaine. Depending on the skills of the chemist it can be off-white, tinged either blue or brown and may be slightly grainier than crack. This dangerous substance is usually inhaled or snorted but can be injected. It can produce a "high" lasting from six to twelve hours, and a person using this substance may go two to three days without food or sleep.

After the high, users often crash for as long as 24 hours. Stephan says, "Obvious dangers from this physical abuse would be total body function collapse leading to respiratory arrest and possible heart failure." Sometimes this potentially lethal substance is made even more dangerous when it is cut with crack cocaine, turning it into "wild cat."

## Local Weather

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	High	Low	Rain or snow	Snow on Ground
12/16	47	19	0.11	1"
12/17	38	30	0.01	T
12/18	32	29		1"
12/19	31	13	0.05	1"
12/20	33	13	0.01	1/2"
12/21	17	14		1/2"

Extended forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Houghton Lake: Wednesday will be mostly cloudy with snow showers. The high will be steady at around 30, falling to the mid to upper 20s in the afternoon. Thursday calls for flurries with the high of around 20 and the lows in the single digits. Christmas Day will be cold with a chance of snow. The high will be around 20 and the low of five to 15 above. There is a chance of snow for Saturday with the highs in the upper teens to the upper 20s and the lows mainly five to 15 above.

## District Court

David Alan Bailey, 30, of Ferndale, plead guilty to a charge of Impaired Driving, and was fined \$625 or 60 days, plus his license was revoked. He was cited August 15, 1992, by the Sheriff Dept.

Jerry Dale Gauthier, 21, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of Impaired Driving and was fined \$525 or 60 days, plus his license was suspended 90 days. He was cited June 20, 1992, by the Sheriff Dept.

Warren Hatfield, 43, of Farmington, New Mexico, appeared before the court on 2 charges of Fail To Pay Child Support — Leaving State. On motion

of prosecuting attorney, one charge was deferred to Circuit Court; one charge, restitution paid.

## Lottery



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## Signatures needed for letters to the editor

In the last week, the Crawford County Avalanche received six letters to the editor without names or return addresses. Since 1986, the Avalanche has required every letter to the editor to have the writer's name published along with the letter. There have been no exceptions to this policy.

We require writers to sign their letters for several reasons. First of all, we need to verify who has written the letter. Very few people will attempt to forge the signature of someone else on a letter because of the seriousness of this offense.

The Avalanche also needs a name and telephone number or address in order to contact the writer with questions about the letter. Sometimes a writer may leave a word out or we can't decipher the handwriting. The Avalanche will publish a letter exactly as it is submitted unless it crosses over libel law guidelines. If a phrase needs to be reworded to avoid a libel lawsuit, we will contact the letter writer with suggestions.

The Avalanche also requires names to be published with letters as a statement of fair play. Everything should be out in the open. We feel it is unfair for one of our readers or county residents to be attacked by an anonymous letter.

Writers of the six letters received last week are requested to come in to the Avalanche office to sign your letter or send us another one with your name and phone number or address. We also received a letter with a signature we can't read and no return address. Please call us to help put the correct name on the letter. We do not print the phone number or complete address of the letter writer; we usually just print the city of residence for the writer.

If you have any other questions about letters to the editor, please call the Avalanche at 348-6811. Our readers' opinions are interesting to many people and we want to publish as many as possible.

## Let's Talk About It

By Joe Murphy



One of my ways of passing these long winter evenings is reading, we are lucky to have such a nice public library to borrow books from. It seems like any line of research you might be inclined to pursue they have books available to help you. I always find plenty of books to feed my interest in Michigan's lumbering days there. Books on lumbering in the lower and upper peninsula are available and help me to understand the magnitude and economics of those boom days. Stories of lumberjacks I knew or was told of are always of special interest. How men who worked so hard for every dollar they earned, could blow a winter's wages in a few days of drinking and carousing around in the old lumber towns never ceases to amaze me. Then it was bum drinks and food until they could go back in the woods to earn the money to do the same thing again.

I kind of liked the story of the old woodsman the game warden caught red handed with a big buck he killed out of season. Old Jake demanded a jury trial and proceeded in court to tell the court all about how he had killed the buck. He bragged about how he had out smarted the buck and the fine shot he made to kill it. When the jury returned a not guilty verdict the judge was amazed at the verdict and asked how they could find him not guilty when he had confessed in court. The foreman of the jury told the judge that they knew old Jake was such a liar, they couldn't believe a word he said.

Even when they were confined to

the lumber camps the lumberjacks somehow tried to make Saturday night special. Their hard work for the week was over and Sunday was their day of rest and recreation. Any Jack that could play a musical instrument, sing, recite poetry or dance was pressed into service to break up the monotony of camp life. The songs of the lumberjacks covered a lot of ground, lost loves, tragic deaths, as well as songs about their lives in the woods. Many foreign born among them sang of longing for their homeland and family. For many soon found the land of milk and honey was just a land of hard work and low wages. Many, if they could have raised the money for passage, would have gladly returned home. Some of those men must have been real talented musicians and singers for many of the old lumberjacks spoke highly of them. Although they did not have any booze they enjoyed the evening. Many traveling preachers came to camps for Sunday services and were welcomed by both the boss and the Jacks. Many of those same voices that sang for the Saturday night party were now raised in praise of the Lord.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

## Letters To The Editor

## Residents think lack of supermarkets hurting Grayling

We are concerned about the status of supermarkets in the Grayling area. We only have one supermarket and the rest "mom and pop" stores. While

Gaylord has Buy-Low, Carter's and Glen's and several smaller markets. We know that the shortage of markets in our area is hurting other local

businesses. Due to the lack of other supermarket chains, Grayling residents often travel to Gaylord to shop. This deprives other local businesses of needed income.

Commerce should persuade other supermarket chains to come into our community to help keep our local shoppers here and keep our local money in Grayling.

Michael & Janet Gildner  
Grayling

## Illegal use of handicapped parking causes hardship

Handicapped people of the Grayling area are not getting a fair shake. All too often do I see handicappers using a walker, cane, crutches, and even a cast, search in vain for a parking space reserved for them. At the same time I see cars parked in the handicapped parking space with no visible permits. The drivers and passengers, both young and old, literally dash in the store just to save a few minutes, thus depriving one of us of what is so necessary.

Do our city police have the time to drive through the parking lots to check out these offenders or do they think it is too petty an offense?

If you see an able-bodied person park illegally in a handicapped space, please take their license number and call the authorities. Perhaps they will at least send them a letter which may

help make shopping just a bit easier for handicappers. Come on people, give us a break!

V. Jack Ralph  
Grayling

## From Our Corner...

By Whitey Madsen

So long, Willey...

You left too soon...

We still hadn't settled our differences on which color was the best — Green or Blue...

We had just started to combine our wisdom in the field of politics...

Remember, we were concerned on whether a cotton picking President from the south would be better than a peanut farmer President we had a few years ago...

You never did finish telling me about the possible plans that are in the works at the country club...

You asked me if I remembered the letter to the editor you wrote requesting Mr. McNamara, Mr. Hoffman, and the rest of the council to consider digging up Michigan Ave. and put in a canal and we would be the only city in the United States having Gondolas floating down our main street...

I remember the many times you were after me to write an editorial about all different things... I knew at the time you were just trying to get me in hot water...

I remember the many discussions we had about our school system, Mercy Hospital, the country club, the trials and tribulations during the years at Hanson Hills... all of which

you were profoundly interested in...

Do you remember the day I mentioned something about Camp Daggett up near Petoskey, and you said when you were growing up, you were a counselor for a couple summers, and you mentioned that Marian and you and Thelma and I should take a ride up there and you would show us around...

Do you remember the time I mentioned I had found a basketball tournament program from the first one ever held in Gaylord in 1937 — you said I have one also, with all the scores of the games... I confessed, I didn't have the scores...

One day we were talking about the Merc and how you had followed your grandfather and father in the management of the business... and you told me that the big glass cabinet now in the Avalanche office was from the original Mercantile...

In some of my ramblings in my stupid column I would refer to you as "Grayling's Elder Statesman," and you tried to take offense to the statement — but I knew better, because it was fact...

Remember when we talked about your relatives in Gaylord, the Rockwells, and you would ask if I knew them... and I would say, I should, I grew up there... and you would say, oh yes, I forgot...

I remember prodding you and Clyde

Borchers on how long I had to live here to become a native... and you went through all the local government agencies and came up with a citizenship for me... with reservations...

Remember last Wednesday, just a couple words, but they related to something like this is a terrible season for those who have nothing...

We remember you telling me all sorts of stories about Grayling, from the old swimming hole, lumbering era, to the house on M-72 west... and then you would say, "I should write a book." I wish you had. It would have been a best seller...

Seems like our visits didn't last long enough and someone would call and say, "Bill, you're wanted at your Red Cross desk..."

We will never forget our little conversations on Wednesdays... you would come in the back door and say, "Hi White." My response, "Hi Willey..." I'm going to miss that, but, not as much as his family is going to miss him.

See you later, Willey...

(Bill Joseph's legacy of his concern and personal involvement in the many projects in making Grayling a better place to live and raise a family, will live in the annals forever.)

## Local businesses help children

In a community such as we have, the generosity and consideration of the businesses is a necessity, as well as the support of one another. Well, the Roscommon Co-Op Nursery School, being one of those businesses, really appreciates the support it was given recently.

We just held our annual Breakfast with Santa, and it was a very successful event. Put together by our volunteer parents, our teacher Mrs. Cindy Witkowski, and our respected businesses, we were able to raise a significant amount of money for our school.

A special appreciation goes out to all of the high school students, businesses, and families who helped donate money, time and themselves to make this fundraiser a successful one. If it weren't for people like you, our children would miss out on a very important part of their lives... just being a kid.

Cathy Hoerauf and the  
Roscommon Co-Op Nursery School  
Board

## Letters To The Editor

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten but please double space or use every other line.

Letters are limited to 500 words. The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not reflect the views of the Crawford County Avalanche.

## Almanack

Richard Milliman

## Christmas gives a new meaning

I'M SPENDING CHRISTMAS in a wheel chair.

My condition is not life-threatening. It's really not even very uncomfortable.

What causes this temporary handicap? There's a long story involved, but the short version is that I recently underwent arthroscopic knee surgery and my knee needs several months to heal, including the first two months of no weight-bearing. That means wheel chair until after New Years.

One thing I've learned from the experience so far is that almost everybody has had problems with a knee, a back, a shoulder, or some other joint... or someone they know or love has had joint problems. Usually if I go into detail on my situation, I get long detail right back about someone else's situation. The short version is better.

THINGS LOOK DIFFERENT from wheel chair height.

For one thing, in a crowd you see a lot of people's waists. In a crowd, lots of people don't see a wheel chair, because they're not looking down. So you get jostled more than usual. You're reminded what must go through a child's mind in a mostly adult world. One of my current aims is to avoid crowds.

When you're handicapped, you look for curb cuts, and wide doors, and entrance ramps instead of steps. Unless you're wheel-chair bound, usually you don't think of those things. When I'm headed to a restaurant, or a basketball game or a meeting in a strange building, usually I check ahead of time for access. Some places you still can't enter in a wheel chair.

ONE OF MY HEROES since I've been in my wheel chair is Mike Utley, the football player who was

severely injured while playing for the Detroit Lions in a November 1991 game. Medical experts first feared he might never move again, but Mr. Utley has progressed to a wheel chair and has made several public appearances lately.

The way he's handled his problems has made him a hero to me... and most likely to others who face real physical problems.

Charlie Vincent, *Detroit Free Press* writer, produced an excellent column about Mike Utley a year after tragedy hit him. One thing that still bothers Mr. Utley in his wheel chair is the same thing that is most bothersome to me in my wheel chair: Personal independence is gone.

Here's how Mike Utley describes it: "I have trouble dealing with the acceptance that you can't do it all yourself. I can take care of myself about 90 percent, but I still need that 10 percent, and that would bother anybody. I don't feel helpless, but it's in that line. Sometimes I've just got to wait for somebody to show up."

In no way do I compare my own piddling physical problems to the major ones that Mike Utley must endure, nor to the infirmities of anyone seriously or permanently disabled.

But my personal feeling about being in a wheel chair echoes exactly the above quote by Mike Utley. It's tough to realize you can't do it all yourself, and you've got to rely on other people for help.

Being dependent graphically portrays to me the true spirit of this Christmas season — people helping people. This Christmas, I am the person being helped... by my wife and family, who wait on me and cater to me... by friends who pick me up and deliver me to meetings and events I want to attend... by strangers who wait to hold a door open for me... by others who are kind and thoughtful in so many ways.



What's being proven to me once more is that most people are kind and considerate and helpful. Many people deliver the Christmas message year around.

THERE'S ANOTHER LESSON which Mike Utley has personified, and which fits into the Christmas season: We should be thankful for the little everyday gifts which we all too often take for granted.

Columnist Vincent lists "dozens of triumphs" which Mike Utley says he has enjoyed in his progressive battle against disability:

"The first day I picked something off the floor. The first day I stood up without passing out. The first day I could hold a napkin and wipe my own mouth. The first day I was able to climb back into this chair after I fell over. The first day I opened my own beer bottle; it took an hour and a half and it was a little warm, but it tasted so damn good."

These are little things by most standards, actions which we all take for granted — until we are denied the ability to perform them. Life itself is a gift. So is health. And so is being able to wipe your own chin, and open a beer bottle. We tend to forget such gifts in the hurly burly of daily living. Mike Utley probably forgot about such gifts — until he lost them.

In my own little way, my own temporary mobility problems have caused me to take inventory of little things, too.

That's a second Christmas message driven home to me this year.

All in all, this is a special Christmas season for me, even from a wheelchair.

In your own individual ways, I hope this is a special Christmas for every reader of The Almanack, too.

## Perspective

By Cindy Gibbs

## Christmas rush says what we're too shy to admit

I heard myself last week using words that have almost come to summarize our society's approach to the holiday season: "Things will be easier after Christmas is over."

Sound familiar? Or how about this one: "I can't believe how much Christmas costs these days." Or maybe: "I'm never going to get everything done on time."

When you stop to listen, it sounds like we've turned the holiday into a neurotic rush, financed at the expense of our annual budgets and causing so much stress we can only hope we'll survive until the first of the year.

From the middle of November — or earlier — until the end of December, we cram our schedules with parties, shopping, concerts and family gatherings. We stuff ourselves with calories we'd never dream of touching otherwise and hasten to send merry greetings to people we haven't seen in a decade.

And why? Because 2,000 years ago, God's Son was born in a stable. Presented that way, our traditions seem not only inappropriate but utterly ridiculous.

And yet, I suspect there's a method to our madness. Underneath the glitter and gourmet, the hustle and flurry, and the apparently meaningless merriment, I think we're searching for connectedness — to ourselves, to our roots and to our Creator.

It isn't cool to admit you need ties. Ask any 8-year-old boy how he feels when his mom tries to kiss him goodnight. "Yuck," mine says — but on the rare night when I fail to plant a kiss on that freckled nose, his disappointment is profound.

It can be embarrassing to admit how much a friendship means to you. Mushy stuff, particularly between people of the same gender, just isn't done in our society.

As for extended family — well, they know we love them. But there's really no time to show. Like the old Harry Chapin song, we've got "planes to catch and bills to pay... but we'll get together soon... you know we'll have a good time then."

Christmas is the exception. It's the one time of year when it's OK to show our love, to show our need for ties and roots and being connected. That's



what it's all about. That's why God sent the Messiah — to re-establish connections between Himself and His people.

In buying gifts, in gathering with family and friends, in renewing old acquaintances, in attending special concerts and services, we, too, are re-establishing connections. Our methods may not be perfect — but as humans, neither are we.

The important thing is that we try. Once a year we acknowledge, freely and without blushing, the important role others play in our lives.

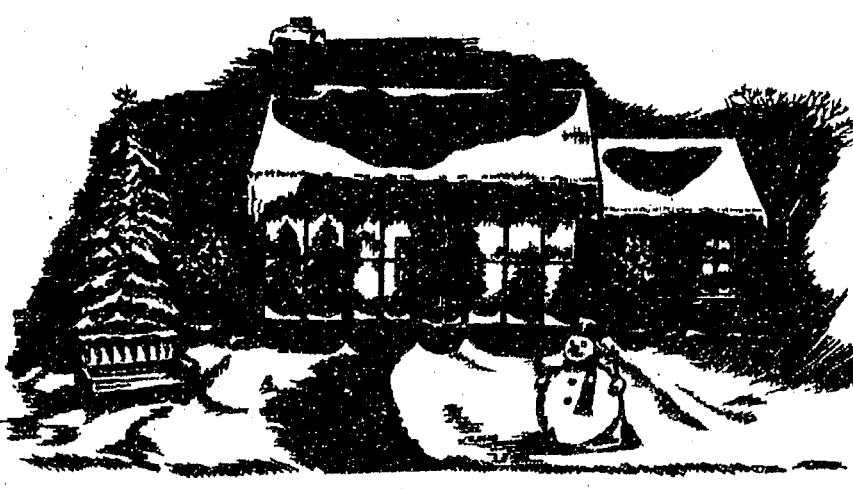
May we do it with joy, thanksgiving and peace in our hearts. Have a wonderful Christmas.

(Cindy Gibbs is a self-employed writer who lives in northern Roscommon County. She is the mother of two children who often unwittingly provide inspiration for her weekly column.)



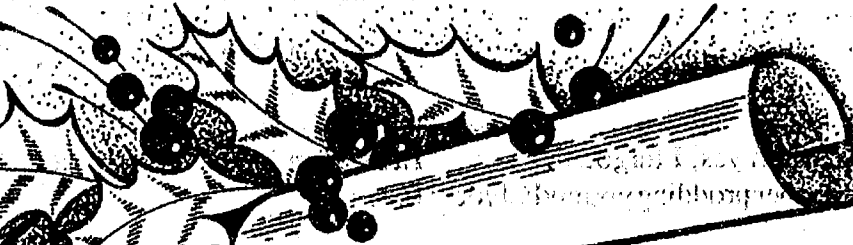


**STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**—Honored as Grayling Middle School Students of the Month for November were (back row, left to right) Hunter Williams, Autumn Smith, Ben Haskel, Nick Osborne, Adam Baynham, Jason Hall, Bonnie Pooley, Grace Galvani, Debbie Schreiner, (3rd row) Kasi Peterson, Bryan Sattler, Beth Hunter, Dana Beckwith, Amber Danner, Sara Bassett, Heidi Englund, Stephanie Stevens, Chad Miltenberger, (2nd row) Jesse Hannum, Monica Kustra, Amanda Fortino, Thomas Lokai, Nicki Osga, (front row) Tanya Rice, Steve Corlew, Michael Latuszek, Jon Haskel, Terah Armstrong. Not pictured are Kathy Fritz and Jeremiah Lamb. (Linda Wright photo).



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Dr. Wm. Dean  
Optometrist



### Local optometrist attends national academy meeting

Dr. William Dean, 904 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, was one of nearly 3,000 doctors of optometry and other professionals in the eye care field from the United States and 15 foreign countries attending the 1992 meeting of the American Academy of Optometry in Orlando, Florida.

The five-day meeting featured over 180 hours of educational seminars, workshops, and lectures and over 400 original research papers on vision science.

Research papers dealing with laser technology, ultraviolet radiation, long term contact lens wear, and glaucoma were highlights of the combined research-educational meeting. Many of the advances introduced at previous Academy meetings have become accepted technology and procedure.

### In memory of

In loving memory of my mom, Phyllis Shearer, who passed away ten years ago this Christmas season, 1992.  
Do not stand at my grave and weep,  
I am not there, I do not sleep.  
I am a thousand winds that blow,  
I am the diamond glints on fallen snow.

I am the sunlight on ripened grain,  
I am the gentle autumn's rain.  
When you awaken in the morning's hush,  
I am the swift uplifting rush of  
Quiet birds in circled flight,  
I am the soft stars that shine at night  
Do not stand at my grave and cry,  
I am not there, I did not die.

My love,  
Mike

### Cards of thanks

We would like to thank the Grayling Fire Department for the quick response to a fire at our home on December 6th, and to commend them for the excellent respect they had for our home.

Bob and Barb Breaugh

### Snow removal at mail boxes helps carriers

The rural mail carriers of the area need help to deliver mail when there is an accumulation of snow. They must be able to drive up to mail boxes and, for safety reasons, pull away without backing up. For this reason the area approaching and leaving mail boxes must be kept free of accumulating snow.

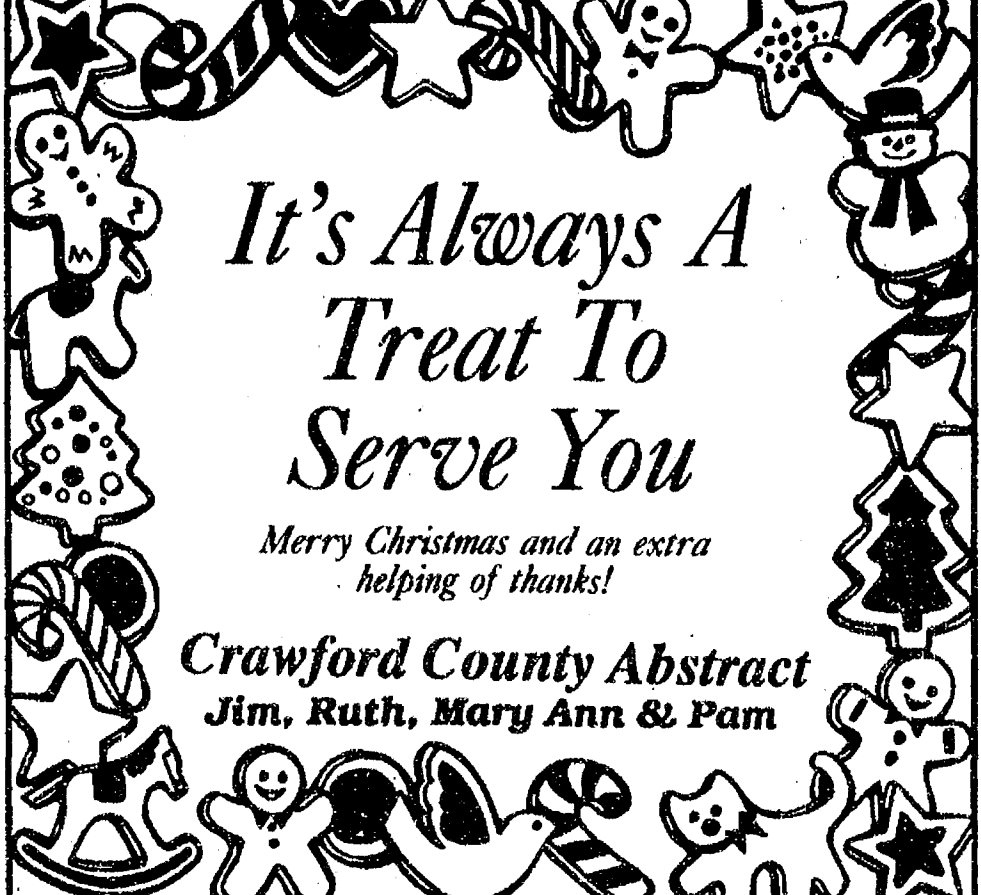
Residents with snow removal service can ask the service company to clear the area in front of the mail box when they remove the snow from the rest of the area.

Becoming stuck in the accumulated snow in front of a mail box, during the winter season, causes the remainder of the mail route to have delayed mail delivery.

### In memory of

To our baby Jessica  
9-10-88 to 12-23-88  
Our sweet baby Jessica  
Has been taken away,  
To see a new life  
God's created, for her to stay.  
Her short time with us  
will be treasured forever.  
She's in a better place now  
To live happily ever after.  
We think it's not fair  
We ask questions why.  
It's hard to let her go,  
It's hard to say goodbye.  
She's our little angel,  
Our little Christmas star.  
Her soul is up above,  
But her love is never far.  
We'll miss her and weep,  
We'll say it isn't fair,  
But she's up above where she belongs,  
In gods' sweet, loving care...  
We love you Jessica.

Love,  
Aunt Julie,  
Grandma and Grandpa Guyot,  
Uncle Tim and Aunt Shannon,  
Cousins



*It's Always A  
Treat To  
Serve You*

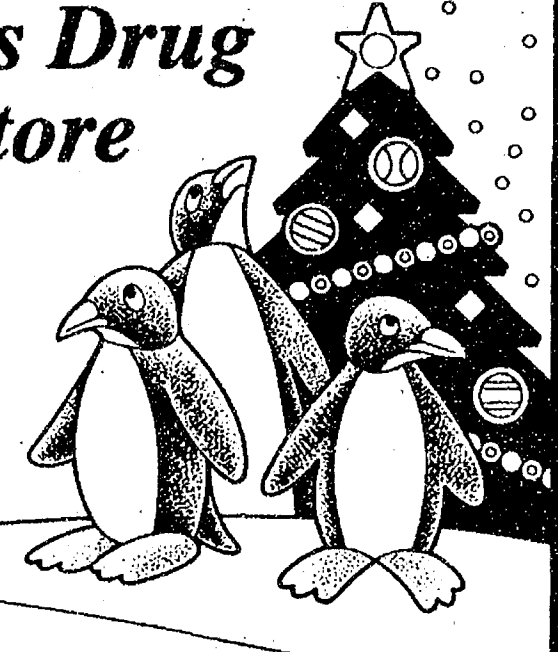
Merry Christmas and an extra  
helping of thanks!

**Crawford County Abstract**  
Jim, Ruth, Mary Ann & Pam

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JOY TO THE WORLD**

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and serve so many wonderful people. Season's  
greetings and glad tidings to you all!

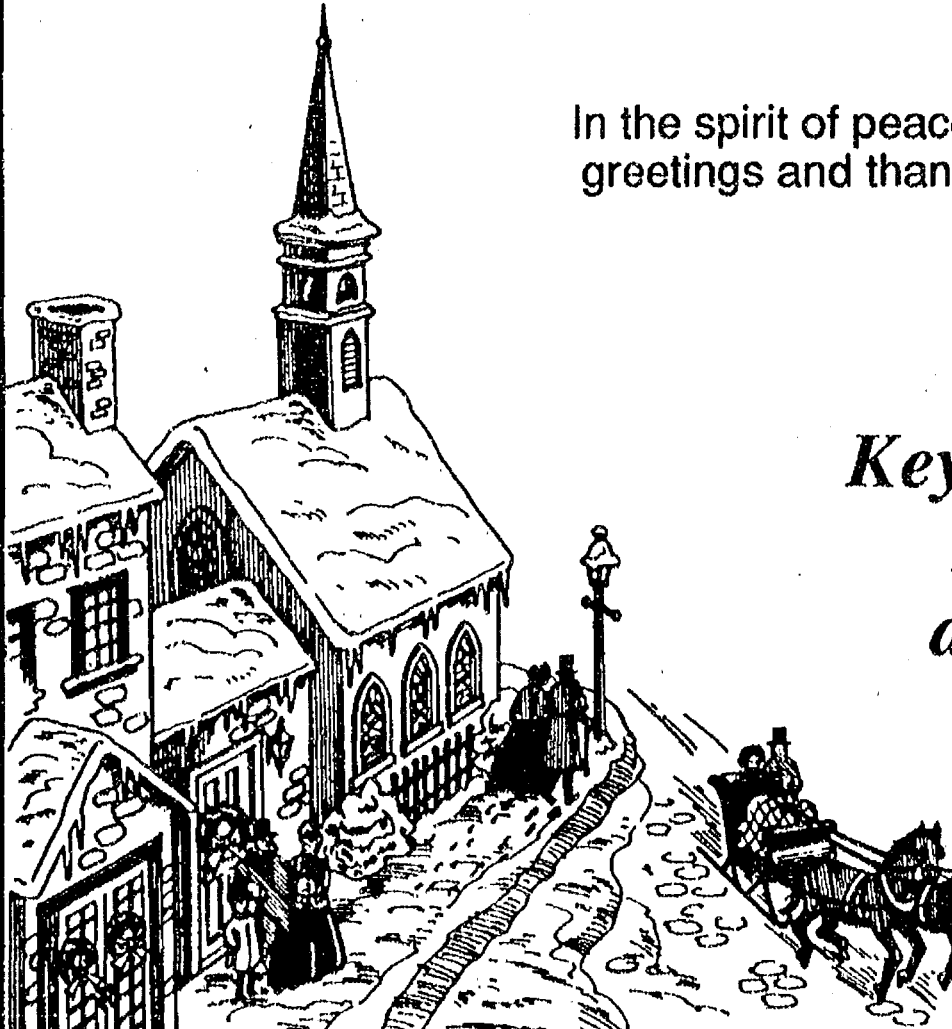
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MON. 28	•KIWANIS LUNCHEON MEETING @ 12:10 pm, Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel. •ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT group @ Meadows of Grayling, 2:30 - 4:30 pm. For more information call 348-2801 & ask for Arlene Musakka.	
TUES. 29	•GRAYLING PROMOTIONAL ASSOCIATION luncheon meeting @ noon, Copper Kettle Steak House & Lounge. •GRAYLING UPTOWN DISTRICT Association breakfast meeting, 8 am @ Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel. •COA LUNCHEON @ Shawano Learning Center, noon. •COA NEW YEAR'S BASH @ 5:30 pm.	
WED. 30	•WEIGHT WATCHER'S MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 West; weigh-in 4:45 pm, meeting 5:30 pm. •ROTARY LUNCHEON MEETING @ noon, Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel.	

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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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County Clerk



**MICHIGAN FINALISTS**—(Front, left to right) Jenifer Adamski, Huron Shores; Marci Schipper, Zeeland; Stacy Longstreet, Branch County; Sarah Genschaw, Thunder Bay; Carma Broe, Quincy; Heidi Collins, Eaton County; and Christa Northrop, Grayling; (back row) Jill Westerby, Ortonville; Kim Michalak, Clarkston; Gina Alfaro, Eaton Rapids; Jodie Nichols, Waterford; Terri Clark, Wayne-Westland; Jessica McClintic, Houghton Lake; Carrie Grable, Marshall; Kara Bendzinski, Alpena; and Rachael Callcut, Lakes Area. Missing from photo, Stephani Rutten, Kalamazoo Valley; Debra Szweczyk, Prudenville; Christina Banchemo, Farmington Hills; and Michele Doughty, Redford.



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### The Hair Station

### Northrop prepares for Michigan's Young Woman of the Year program

Saturday, December 5, was the Coke party for the 20 finalists for Michigan's Young Woman of the Year Scholarship Program. As the winner in Grayling's Young Woman of the Year program, Christa L. Northrop attended the orientation, which was held in Marshall. Making the trip with her was her mother, Linda Northrop, and local chairperson, Marianne Bloomquist. The contestants were selected in local programs or in the At-Large program, which is held each year for young women who do not have a program in their area.

The Young Woman of the Year program has been part of the nation's educational, civic and social life for more than 34 years. The purpose of the scholarship program is to select Michigan's ideal high school senior girl in order to stress the admirable qualities and ideals of outstanding youth. The program sets exceptionally high standards with emphasis on character, citizenship, high school activities, and personal ambitions.

Scholarship awards are given to further the educational goals of the finalists and winners as they are the

young women who will shape our future. The Young Women of the Year Scholarship Program is a non-profit organization that is supported solely by scholarship donations from individuals and businesses who recognize the importance of our youth and wish to promote their continued education.

The state finals will be held in Marshall on January 30, with the winner to compete on the national level in Mobile, Alabama, in June.

For more information on ticket information for the state finals in Marshall, write to Michigan's Young Woman of the Year Scholarship Program, PO Box 108, Marshall, Michigan, 49068.

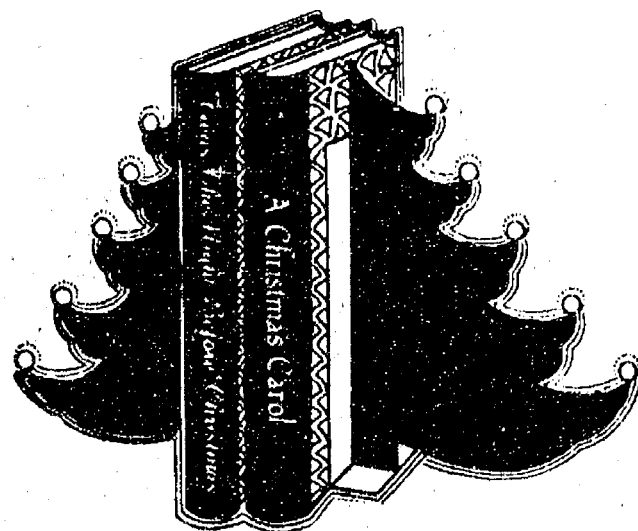
### Health Dept. sets clinics

District Health Department No. 1 has scheduled the following clinics at the Grayling Office. Appointments are recommended or required for all clinics. Please call 348-7800 for information on these clinics and our Environmental Health Services.

Immunization Clinic: January 6.  
Family Planning: January 28.  
Medicaid Screening: January 12 and 26.  
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### Poet's Corner

Ryan

Ryan was a joyful fellow,  
he always had something to say.  
If only he was still here,  
I could say, "GOODBYE."  
I think about him and try not cry,  
but it's hard not to when NEIL says, "HI."  
He liked the Army and the Air Force,  
he always was inventing stuff,  
he was a genius and he was tuff.

Scott Stade

## Bondar named top sales associate for October



Debbie Bondar

Debbie Bondar of Century 21 River Country Real Estate, was recently recognized by Douglas J. Stranahan, Century 21 Great Lakes, Inc. Regional Director, on being among the top producing sales associates in the Century 21 Northern Michigan Brokers Council during the month of October.

### Michelson schedules Christmas services

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church has scheduled two Christmas Eve services. Thursday, December 24, services will be held at 6:30 and 11 p.m.

### Cards of thanks

The Jozsa/McClain family would like to thank the Crawford County 911 Service, Sheriff's Department, Grayling Fire Department, Department of Natural Resources, North Flight E.M.S., Grayling Mercy Hospital, Dr. William McNamara, Gail Stahl R.N., Rev. Dennis Paulson and Patti Quinlan for their support and valiant efforts to help a very special young man, who is and will always be, greatly missed.

We would also like to thank all the friends and relatives for their help and support through this difficult time.

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BOUNCY VER-  
SION OF THE  
CHRISTMAS  
CLASSIC"**

—David Sheehan,  
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IT'S A ZANY, IRREVERENT,  
LAUGH-A-THON 10."**

—Susan Granger,  
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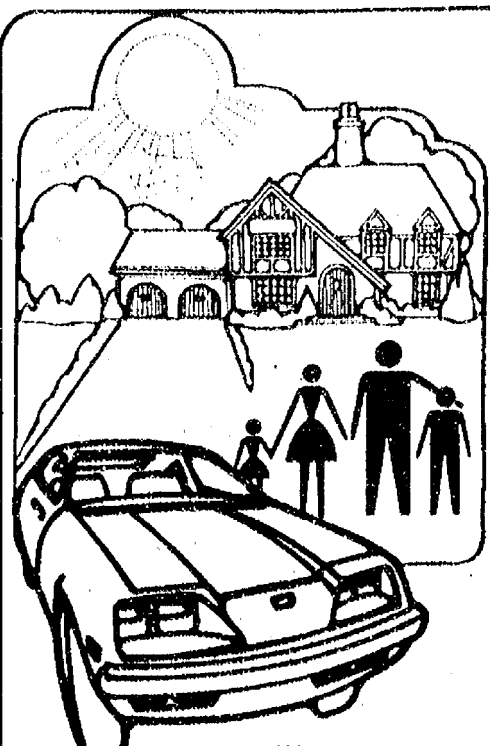


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**AMVETS HELP RIVER HOUSE**—Post Commander Sherman Bresette, of the Grayling Amvets, presented a check to River House staff person, Beth Holzman on December 11. The Grayling American Amvets and Ladies Auxiliary's yearly fundraisers benefit River House. Cash donations of \$750 in April and \$500 in December of this year will aid the shelter. River House provides safe housing, food, clothing, counseling, transportation, financial assistance, and legal advocacy for victims of domestic violence. Money raised by the Amvets two or three yearly raffles in Grayling is dispersed to three local groups. River House, Paws for Cause, which trains dogs to be the eyes, ears and nose for people who have a disability in these areas, and a Scholarship Fund which helps seniors from the area's three high schools. Amvets need more Vets. If interested come to the American Legion Hall the first Monday of each month.

## Alef joins Maly's Midwest artistic team

Tressa and Maly's Beauty and Barber Supply have announced the appointment of Cheryl Alef of A Cut Above salon in Grayling, to Maly's artistic team. As a designer with the artistic team, her responsibilities will include educating cosmetologists through stage presentations and in-salon classes throughout the midwest, helping to forecast and create future trends within the fashion and hair industry, and assisting cosmetologists to build their businesses through communication, technical skills, and creative ability in hair design.

Alef was chosen for her ability to effectively present information in a precise, humorous, and understandable way. She received the highest overall score out of all the applicants.

In addition to her new position as part of the Maly's artistic team, Cheryl will continue to work as a stylist at A Cut Above as well as maintaining the position of associate designer with Tressa.

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## Mt. Hope plans holiday services

Mt. Hope Lutheran Church has three special holiday services planned. A Christmas Eve candlelight service will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, December 24. A Christmas Day communion service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, December 25. A New Year's Eve communion service will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, December 31.

## Bear's Bowmen

Tuesday League	
Bill & Terry	52.5
Dave & Liz	45
Alice & Jody	38
Gary & Barry	36
Steve & Ron	34
Randy & Ron	30
Dan & Miguel	26.5
Carolyn & Eugene	25
Jeff & Jason	25
Don & Mike	13
Men's High Scratch Game: Terry Barr, 282.	
Ladies High Scratch Game: Liz Biltoft, 224.	
Under 12 High Scratch Game: Mike Bodnarik, 207.	

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## Healthline

Linda DeMarchis, M.A., Health Educator,

This column is presented as a public service to the community by District Health Department No. 1 which serves, Wexford, Missaukee, Kalkaska, and Crawford counties. If you have a question you would like answered, please send it to District Health Department No. 1, 401 Lake St., Cadillac, Michigan, 49601.

**Question:** My teenagers have loud stereo systems in their rooms and cars. Could this cause hearing loss?

**Answer:** It is surprising how many commonplace pieces of equipment present in the home can cause damage to our hearing. In most cases hearing loss is painless and gradual. Twenty million Americans have some form of hearing loss and studies indicate that 60% of college freshmen have

already suffered mild damage to their hearing.

Hearing loss results from two factors — loudness and time of exposure. The loudness of a sound, known as the decibel level, can cause hearing loss by itself, especially when the decibel level approaches the 70-100 range. This decibel level includes stereos, TVs, radios, power saws, and other commonly used equipment. However, noise at lower levels may be damaging if a person is exposed to it for a long period of time. If you work or sleep in a room with a noisy air conditioner or watch TV for several hours a day, you may be encountering long term exposure to noise levels that could possibly damage hearing.

In most cases hearing loss is painless and gradual. Damage that cannot be undone may occur before anyone realizes it.

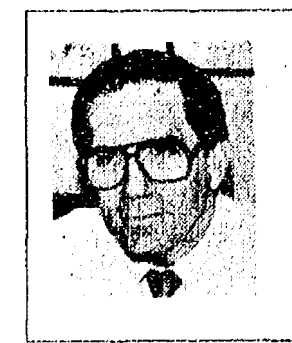
To help protect your hearing, place resilient pads under appliances to absorb noise. When replacing older appliances, look for EPA ratings on sound levels found on new appliances. When you know you'll be around loud sounds, wear earplugs or acoustical ear muffs. Cotton in the ears is not effective in blocking sounds.

To help prevent hearing loss, the state of Michigan has been conducting hearing screening for fifty years. Each year over 650,000 children are screened for potential hearing problems. Of these children, approximately 30,000 are referred to appropriate health care. Hearing screening is provided through the cooperative efforts of the school districts, Michigan Department of Public Health, and local health departments.

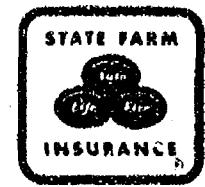
## Men's Basketball

Holiday Inn	2-0
Cornell/Shoppengons	1-0
Spikes	1-1
Weyerhaeuser	0-1
Dunkin Donuts	0-2
Holiday Inn, 63: Cross 19, Hamlin 19, Fraser 10, Millikin 9, Dean 4, Hinkle 2, Spikes, 60: Patterson 21, Hull 12, White 10, Kolka 7, Krey 6, Gardiner 2, Thompson 2.	
Cornell/Shoppengons, 76: Juntilla 19, D. Beckwith 14, Doremire 12, Annis 9, Larkin 9, Bonamie 7, Latuszak 4, J. Beckwith 2, Dunkin Donuts, 57: Fortino 13, R. Harland 11, J. Parkinson 10, M. Hartman 8, D. Lange 8, M. Lange 4, Wolcott 3.	
Top Ten Scorers: Shellie 24, Patterson 22.5, Hamlin 21.0, Juntilla 19, Cross 16, Fraser 14.5, McEvers, D. Beckwith 14, Parkinson 13.5, Fortino, 13.	
Three-Point Leaders: Patterson 12, Fraser 5, Juntilla, Cross 4, Wolcott 3.	
FT % leaders: Fraser, Fortino, Kelly, M. Lange, McEvers, White 100%, Hull, Juntilla 83%, Annis 71%, Patterson 69%.	
Foul Leaders: Millikin 8, R. Harland, Fraser 7, Patterson 6, D. Beckwith, Kolka, Krey, Madill, White 5.	
Team Air: Dunkin Donuts 30, Spikes 14, Holiday Inn 10, Weyerhaeuser 8, Cornell/Shoppengons 6.	

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## Obituaries

### Arthur Huffman

Arthur W. Huffman, Jr., 41, of Grayling, died Saturday, December 19, 1992, in Dover Township, Otsego County. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, December 23, 1992, at Calvary Baptist Church in Grayling, with Dr. Robert Barnett officiating. Military rites will be conducted by representatives of the Michigan National Guard from Camp Grayling, American Legion Post #106, Grayling, and the U.S. Marine Corps Recruiting Station, Gaylord. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery.

Mr. Huffman was born September 29, 1951, in Flint. He and his wife, Phyllis, moved to Grayling three years ago following his retirement from the U.S. Marine Corps, after 20 years of service. He married Phyllis A. Hynok August 16, 1986, in El Toro, California. Since his retirement he has been employed as an airframe and power plant mechanic and flight instructor for North Country Aviation, Gaylord. He was a Civil Air Patrol captain of the Gaylord unit, and he attended the Calvary Baptist Church, Grayling.

He was preceded in death by his father, Arthur W. Huffman, in 1977. Survivors include: wife, Phyllis; son, Joseph Huffman of Jacksonville, North Carolina; daughter, Amie Huffman of Jacksonville, North Carolina, Joann Peck, Ruby Huffman and Valerie Huffman, all of Grayling; mother, Ruby Huffman of Grayling, and sister, Linda Munsey of Grayling.

### Lawrence Stafford

Lawrence N. "Lornie" Stafford, 82, of Grayling, died Tuesday, December 15, 1992, at Mercy Hospital. Funeral Services were held Friday, December 18, 1992, at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, with Dr. Dennis Paulson officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery.

Mr. Stafford was born February 17, 1910, in Saginaw. He moved to Grayling eight years ago from Lovells where he had lived for eleven years. Prior to that he had resided in Saginaw. He was a retired construction-maintenance worker for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, was active at the Senior Citizen Center, and bowled in the Senior Citizen League.

Mr. Stafford was preceded in death

by his wife, Violet, in 1989, and by his parents, Burt and Molly (Carpenter) Stafford.

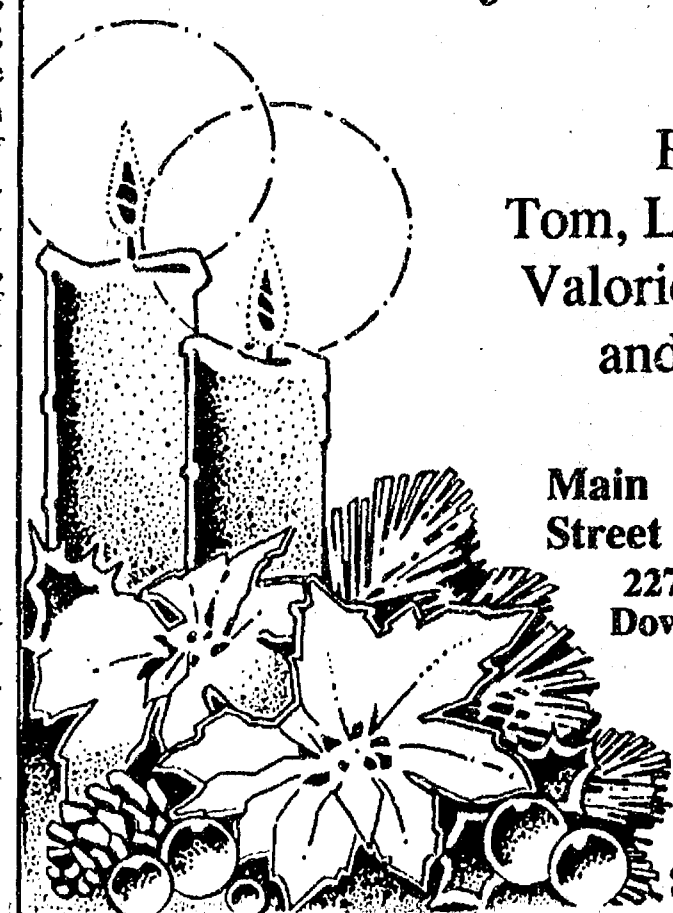
Survivors include: brother, Clarence Stafford of Sherman, Texas; friend, Catherine Henderson of Grayling; brothers-in-law, Roy (Grace) Wedge of Grayling, Russell Wedge of San Pablo, California, and Andy Wedge of New Port Richey, Florida; sisters-in-law, Nina Richter of Redford Township, Ruth Walton of Houghton Lake, Pearl Kiely of Livonia, Rose Morris of Palm Harbor, Florida, and Edith Catchpole of Smyrna, Georgia.

### Bonnie Benware

Bonnie Jean Benware of Grayling, died Tuesday, December 22, 1992, at Mercy Hospital. Contact Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, for information.

A full obituary will appear in next week's Avalanche.

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The child king born among the animals that starry night brought us good news in a dramatic way. His message was a simple one: joy is within reach; the spirit of love and peace in the hearts of men will make our world happy again. Let's be joyful this holiday season. Let's pardon and forget. Let's take that first Christmas message to heart!

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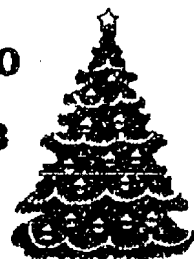
T'was a day before Christmas, but there was no cheer. No jingle bells jingled, no sound of reindeer. The word had got out that Santa was sick. There'd be no friendly visit from a sick St. Nick. The people were sad; no gaiety sounded. For Christmas had come, but Santa was grounded.

He walked down the street, and what should he see? On a sign was printed, **Dr. Suzanne J. Toupin, D.C.** Now, Santa was not one to like a new tactic. But all else had failed so he'd try chiropractic. In a very short time, to judge by the clock. He was in the adjustment room, talking to Doc. It must be the hurry, the tension and all. I simply can't seem to get on the ball. Life used to be easy, just toys, guns and whistles. Now I have to dodge fall - out, spaceships and missiles. "And Doc, take a look at the size of this pack! Have you any idea what it does to my back?" Poor Santa was miserable; just barely able With the help of the doctor, to get on the table. The doctor was gentle. Without fuss or tussle. She examined the vertebrae and relaxed the muscles. She spotted the trouble, and then with a click Started aligning the ailing St. Nick. And Santa felt aches and pains slipping away. In no time at all he began feeling gay. His cheeks were rosy with a new found glow. And a healthy Kris Kringle was rarin' to go. As he went out the door, he threw the receptionist a kiss. Why, it had been centuries since he'd felt good as this! Then once more he shouldered the bagful of toys, His heart overflowing with true Christmas joy.

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## Military News

Jason T. Teddy, son of Kevin L. Teddy of Rural Route 4, Grayling, and stepson of Steven Baker of 451 W. Shadow Trail, Boyne City, received practical work in military leadership at the ROTC advanced camp at Fort Lewis, Tacoma, Washington.

The camp, attended by cadets normally between their third and fourth year of college, includes instruction in communications, management, and survival training.

The cadet is a student at Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant.

He is a 1988 graduate of Grayling High School.

Marine Lance Cpl. George J. Schlaff, son of John H. and Brenda K. Schlaff of 6517 N. Weaver Road, Frederic, recently participated in a Command Post Exercise with Headquarters Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

During the exercise, conducted October 15-21 at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Schlaff participated in a high-level field exercise designed to test the deployment and employment of the command, control and communication system/structure of the Division command post and supporting security element.

He joined the Marine Corps in January of 1991.

Marine Cpl. Todd A. Van De Ven, son of Army 1st Sgt. and Mrs. Martin A. Van De Ven of Grayling, recently received the Good Conduct Medal.

The medal recognizes the servicemember's honest and faithful service during a three-year period.

He is currently assigned with Marine All Weather Attack Squadron-214, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station, Yuma, Arizona.

The 1989 graduate of Grayling High School joined the Marine Corps in September of 1989.

## Mortgage Sale

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Randy J. Robare and Kathy Robare, husband and wife, to U.S. Mutual Mortgage Corporation, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan, Mortgagee, dated August 21, 1985, and recorded on August 22, 1985, in Liber 237, on page(s) 399, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Midstates Resources Corp. by an assignment(s) dated May 8, 1992, and recorded on May 18, 1992, in Liber 342, on page 158, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixteen Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-six and 95/100 Dollars (\$16,426.95), including interest at 14.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at ten o'clock a.m. on January 8, 1993. Said premises are situated in the Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

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## Dr. Barry Fenn D.D.S. & Staff

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DATE	STARTING TIME	PLACE
January 14	7:30 pm	North Central Community Mental Health 204 Meadows Drive, Grayling
February 11	7:30 pm	North Central Community Mental Health 527 Cobbs Street, Cadillac
March 11	7:30 pm	St. John's Lutheran Church South Morey Road, Lake City
April 8	7:30 pm	North Central Community Mental Health 2715 Townline Road, Houghton Lake
May 13	7:30 pm	North Central Community Mental Health 204 Meadows Drive, Grayling
June 10	7:30 pm	North Central Community Mental Health 527 Cobbs Street, Cadillac
July 8	7:30 pm	St. John's Lutheran Church South Morey Road, Lake City
August 12	7:30 pm	North Central Community Mental Health 2715 Townline Road, Houghton Lake
September 9	7:30 pm	North Central Community Mental Health 204 Meadows Drive, Grayling
October 14	7:30 pm	North Central Community Mental Health 527 Cobbs Street, Cadillac
November 9	7:30 pm	St. John's Lutheran Church South Morey Road, Lake City
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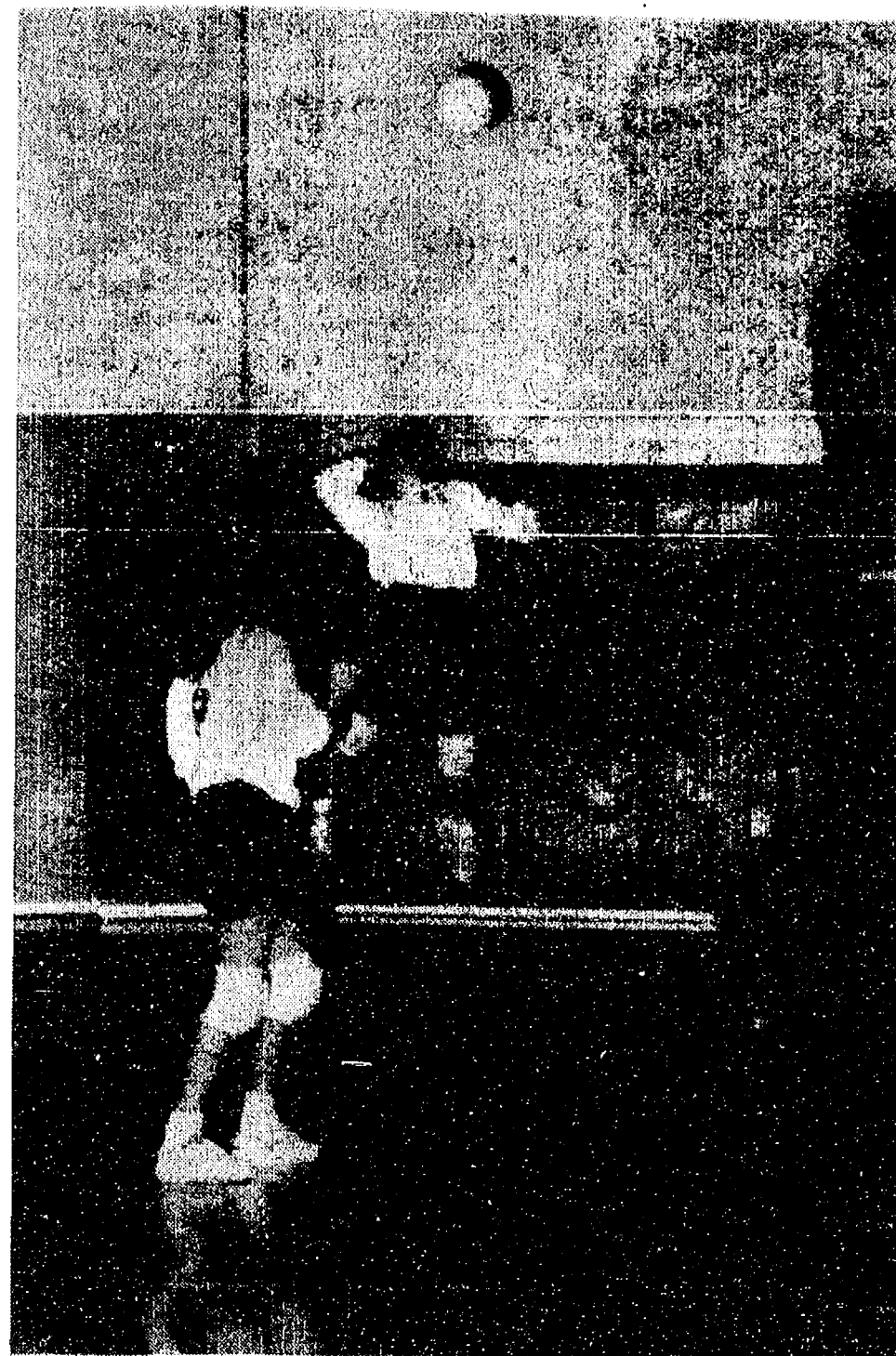
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# GHS puts down Roscommon, Onaway to start season



**CROWD PLEASER**--Senior Sara Palmer's dynamite spike near the end of the match against Onaway excited both the team and the crowd. Teammate Darcie McCurdy (junior) is in the foreground. (Nancy Lemmen photo)



**TOUGH SPIKE**--Junior Jaime Andrus spikes the ball as teammates Jessica Brown (senior) and Darcie McCurdy (junior) watch. Andrus had 12 spikes in the December 16 match, which the Vikings won, 3-1. (Nancy Lemmen photo)

By Nancy Lemmen

The Grayling High School varsity volleyball team opened its 1992-93 season with a decisive 3-0 (16-14, 15-5, 15-5) win over rival Roscommon on December 14.

"We got off to a slow start in the first game," said Coach Rebecca Brown. "We were down, 11-4. Then (junior) Jamie McKinney came in and gave us a good serving boost. They had a hard time handling her serves. She was the catalyst. Her serves were what turned us around. We established our offensive pattern after that and won the next two games handily."

"It's always fun to start out with a win and I'm glad to beat Roscommon. But I saw a lot of work and challenges in front of us," she added.

#### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Senior Heidi Craigie made five serves, 41 sets, two spikes, three saves, 11 passes, three blocks and eight tips.

Senior Heather Millikin was 13 for 13 at the serving line. "She was real strong," said Brown. She also had one set, seven spikes, two saves, 21 passes, six blocks and one tip.

Junior Jamie Andrus contributed six serves, was the team leader with 13 spikes, and had three saves, 16 passes, one block and four tips.

"She's going to become more and more exciting to watch as she becomes more confident and aggressive," said Brown.

Senior Sara Palmer had 12 serves, one spike, one save, 16 passes, one block and six tips.

"She was strong from the serving line," said Brown. "She was having a hard time finding her spot in spikes, so she showed good judgment and went to the tip. She has hang time, so she can survey while she's up there and change her attack while in the air."

McKinney made 14 serves, one set, one save, ten passes, one block and one tip.

Junior Mande Micek made seven serves, two spikes, one save and 12 passes.

Senior Jessica Brown had three sets, five spikes, one serve, six passes and

two tips.

Junior Jennifer Fassinger added two serves, one set, one spike, one save, five passes, one block and one tip.

Junior Darcie McCurdy — whom Brown said is "a good front row sub for us" — had five spikes, four passes, two blocks and two tips.

"She's always up. She's in the opponents' face all the time, so they have to consider her. They hit off-speed spikes, which makes it easier for our back row to pick up."

Junior Julie Gingerick, subbing for setter Craigie, had four sets and five passes.

#### ONAWAY WIN

Grayling upped its record to 2-0 on Wednesday with a 3-1 (15-6, 7-15, 15-4, 15-4) victory over division opponent Onaway.

"I think we came out a little too complacent," said Brown. "We managed to get through the first game because Onaway wasn't hitting well. When they started to hit well, we were a little slow to pick up. We played well in our third and fourth games. Hopefully, we'll pick up at that level after vacation."

#### INDIVIDUAL STATS

Craigie made seven serves, 97 sets, four saves, 32 passes, two blocks and nine tips.

Palmer was 31 for 31 at the serving line — "a very strong game," said Brown. She also made 14 spikes — "she made corrections and hit effectively." She had three sets, 35 passes, two blocks and six tips, as well.

Millikin contributed 16 serves, three sets, 15 spikes, four saves, 36 passes, nine blocks and three tips.

"She is getting good in all offensive categories," said Brown.

Andrus made four serves, one set, 12 spikes, two saves, 28 passes, four blocks and two tips.

McCurdy had one set, eight spikes, 24 passes, five blocks and three tips.

McKinney added 14 serves, one spike, two saves, 20 passes and two tips.

Brown had one serve, three sets, six spikes, 19 passes and two blocks.

"She has put a lot of effort into improving her hits and it shows," said Brown.

Fassinger added six serves, two sets, two spikes, one save, 13 passes and one block.

Micek made four serves, two spikes and ten passes.

#### NEXT MATCH

The Vikings have no matches until after the Christmas holiday season. They host rival Gaylord on Thursday, January 7, following the junior varsity contest, which begins at 6 p.m.



**EFFECTIVE OFFENSE**--An Onaway opponent can't defend against senior Heather Millikin's tip. Tough offense enabled the Viking varsity volleyball team to beat the Cardinals last Wednesday evening in an important division match. (Nancy Lemmen photo)

## Kernstock, Weaver earn medals

Two Grayling High School wrestlers earned medals at the Hemlock High School Invitational on December 19.

Junior Brent Kernstock (171 pounds) placed 3rd with a 3-1 record and junior Jerry Weaver (145 pounds) finished in 4th place with a 2-2 record.

Also scoring points for the Vikings were freshman Steve McEvers (103 pounds), 2-2; freshman Brett Hopp (112 pounds), 2-2; and junior Mike Terrien (189 pounds), 2-2.

They "looked pretty good," said

Coach Don Ferguson.

As a team, however, Grayling placed 12th out of 12.

"We have a very young team," said Coach Don Ferguson. "There are only two veterans left. They're having to learn fast. But each meet they look better. They're starting to improve and find out what they're supposed to be doing. By the end of the year, we should be a good-looking team."

Kernstock and Weaver, the two captains, "have to provide good

leadership," he said.

#### ROGERS CITY MEET

The matmen fell to Rogers City (44-36) and Whittemore-Prentiss (48-24) in a meet on December 17.

Double winners for Grayling were sophomore Jason Secord (160 pounds) and Kernstock.

Wrestlers taking one match for the Vikings were McEvers, freshman Adam Anderson (135 pounds), sophomore Lowell Bindschattel (140 pounds) and Terrien.

Ferguson said the Rogers City meet took place on a brand new mat purchased for the school by the Hurons' retired wrestling coach, Bill Barrett.

The Vikings compete in the Mason County Central Invitational in Ludington on Saturday, January 2, at 9 a.m.

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## JV volleyballers win opener against Roscommon

Strong serving helped the Grayling High School junior varsity volleyball team open its season with a 2-0 (15-9, 15-9) victory over rival Roscommon on December 14.

"It was a great way to start the season," said Coach Michelle Moore. "The girls played exciting volleyball, even though we are a young and inexperienced team."

"Our serving won the game for us," said Moore. "They had a hard time returning our serves."

Sophomore Carol Lanczy led the team with ten. Freshman Amy Neal and freshman Jennifer Richardson added seven apiece; and sophomore Lynne Rochette contributed another six.

"The whole team contributed," continued Moore. Freshman Brooke Blaauw, sophomore Nicole Wilcox, freshman Monica Lawrence, freshman Trisha Ormsbee, sophomore Danyell Galvani, freshman Vicki Creps, freshman Carrie Hubbard and freshman Jennifer Wejrowski not only contributed on the court, but also on the bench. We communicated well and played with excitement."

#### ONAWAY MATCH

The Vikings fell, 2-1 (15-12, 14-16, 7-15) to division opponent Onaway on December 16.

"We started out great," said Moore. "But then toward the end of the first game, we went flat. We weren't playing with as much enthusiasm as we did with Roscommon and we stood around too much on the court. We didn't move and get into position to hit the ball very well."

The second game was exciting, said Moore.

"We were losing, 11-14, and came back to tie it at 14-14. But we couldn't pull it out."

"But they are young and it was only our second game. I'm looking for Brooke Blaauw, Jennifer Wejrowski, Carrie Hubbard and Vicki Creps to make more of a contribution on the court once they get more experience."

Rochette led in passing with 19 and Lanczy followed closely with 18.

Neal had three blocks.

Lanczy and Rochette each had 15 serves.

Lanczy made seven sets.

#### Grayling Men's Pool League 12-14-92

Spikes	88-38
Swamp II	87-57
Weyerhaeuser	84-60
Frederic Inn	70-56
Red Barn	53-91
Plaza	53-91
Copper Kettle	51-93



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The Grayling Holiday Inn

## 'Big Apple' music comes to Grayling

On Saturday evening, January 9, area residents will have the opportunity to enjoy a slice of the "Big Apple" when the M.O.T. Community Singers perform the works of famous Broadway Composers.

The evening will begin at 6 p.m. when the doors open to the Grayling Holiday Inn Evergreen Room. The dinner, consisting of New York Strip

Steak or Salmon Entree, Waldorf Soup, Tossed Salad, Potato, Vegetable, New York Cheesecake and non-alcoholic beverages, will be served beginning at 6:45 p.m. Curtain time for the "Broadway Revue" will be at 8 p.m.

Sopranos Betsy Bronson and Maria Cimarelli along with Tenor Karl Schmidt and Baritone Mark Vondaak are the featured artists. They will be

performing selections from *West Side Story*, *On the Town*, and *Wonderful Town*, all by Leonard Bernstein, as well as other famous Broadway shows. The program will also feature a Gershwin & Cole Porter set. the "Broadway Revue" is the second in the Command Performance Dinner Series designed to feature local and instrumental talent from the state of Michigan.

The Command Performance Series is a work of the Crawford AuSable School District Community Education Cultural Events program designed to bring fine cultural experiences to area residents at affordable prices. It is sponsored by individual area patrons as well as the following area business: Chemical Bank North, C. F. Fick & Sons, Inc., Grayling Holiday Inn, Grayling Hospital for Animals, Grayling Mercy Hospital, GSB, Hospitality House, Mac's Drug Store, Mich Con Gas Company, Scheer Motors, Inc., and Weyerhaeuser Company.

For tickets and reservations, call 348-7641 during the day and ask for the dinner show ticket information; or write and make checks payable to CASD Community Education, 403 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI, 49738.

All seats for this performance will be reserved.



**LEARNING MATH AT NEW FORD DEALER**--Rick Harland, of the Grayling Ford dealership, shows fifth grade students the new building's showroom. Students from a class taught by Mrs. Casey and Mr. Simons learned how important math is in an auto dealer's repair shop and in buying cars. Students were given tours and demonstrations during the visit. (Betsey Mitchell photo)

### Grayling Elementary School

Thanksgiving Cinquains  
(a five line poem)  
Mrs. Wakeley 2nd grade

**Kristin Lee**  
Thanksgiving  
Family dinner  
Say prayers together  
Love God, love family  
Thankful

**Andrew Sloan Spencer**  
Thanksgiving  
Dinner, family  
Eat, visit together  
Love for our family  
Happiness

**John Guernsey**  
Thanksgiving  
Pilgrims, Indians  
Cook the turkey  
Happy, full, glad, thankful  
Happiness

**Janet Owen**  
Thanksgiving  
Pilgrims, dinner  
Visit my Grandma  
Happy, close to God  
Love

Students of the Month  
Month: November  
Category: Sense of Humor  
Mrs. Nunn (blue) Eria Fenn  
Mrs. Nunn (yellow)

Dee Dee Galloway  
Mrs. Spencer (blue) Tracy Lewis  
Mrs. Spencer (yellow)  
Emily Duncley  
Mrs. Hawkins (blue)  
Daniel Waurzyniak  
Mrs. Brunell (yellow)

Michael Pffieft  
Mrs. Larson Megan Adelman  
Miss Loft Jacob Parent  
Miss Savoie Nigel Ingersoll  
Mrs. Smock Joe Zelek  
Miss Williams Clinton Ramsey  
Mrs. Yost Matt Seager  
Mrs. Johnson Annie Hansen  
Mrs. Wakeley Sam Cross  
Mary Stephan  
Mrs. Rauch-Smock Eric Hunter  
Mrs. Pullen-Johnson Chuck Chesner  
Mrs. VanSlyke Joann Yarder  
Mrs. Schlachter Cody Myers  
Mr. Brigham Curtis Marculewicz  
Miss Johnson Bridgett Reed  
Mrs. Williams Denae Southworth  
Mrs. Akers Steven Albers  
Mr. Hatfield Steve Roshy  
Emily Weaver  
Mandi Ellis  
Afawna VerWys

Mr. Hayes

Jillian St. Germain  
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If you like to read  
read to you or me  
I could tell you about  
a book called *Ulysses*

I didn't understand  
if he was good or bad,  
but I liked the book because  
it wasn't happy nor sad

Now I think I know if  
he were good or bad  
But on his journey  
he was surely sad.

I think he was a good one  
While his shipmates were real bad.  
But he finally won his battle  
and was no longer sad.

**Andrew Palmer**  
Miss Johnson 3rd grade  
Friendship

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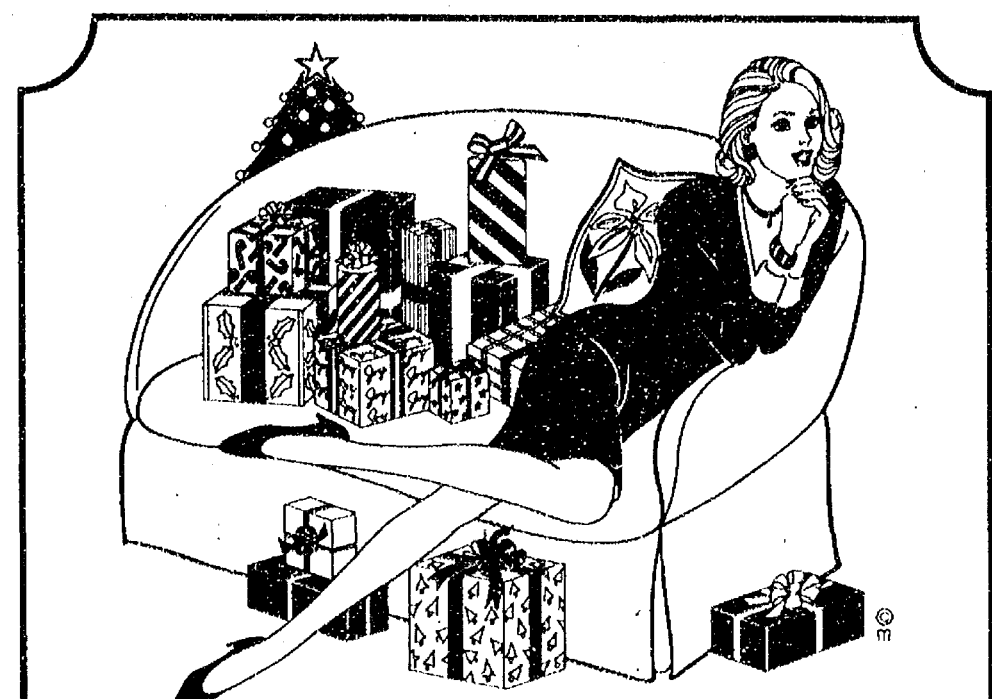
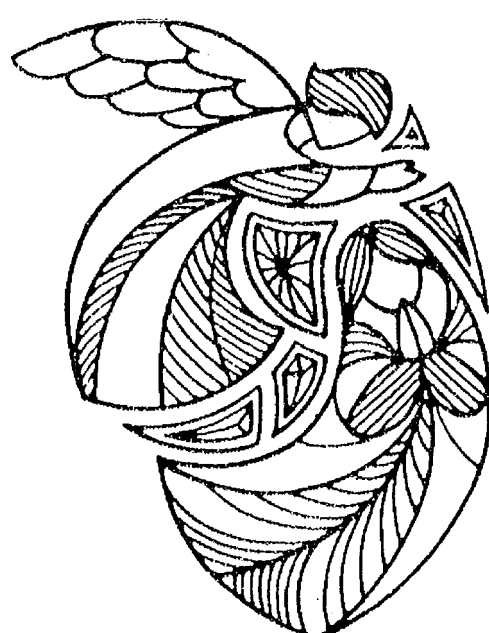
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# Vikings roll to 3-0 start; face undefeated Boyne City

By Nancy Lemmen

The Grayling High School boys varsity basketball team took its record to 3-0 with decisive double wins last week.

The Vikings claimed a 72-49 victory over Elk Rapids on December 15.

"It was a well-balanced effort," said Coach Tom Mills. "The team played outstanding defense. By halftime, we had a 28-point lead, 45-17."

Ten of the 12 Grayling players contributed to the scoring, with four of them hitting the double figure mark. Senior Mike Kirmo led with 19. Senior Eric LaForest followed with 15. Junior Kris Andersen and sophomore Shane Hinkle each contributed ten.

"Having four people in double figures was outstanding," said Mills. "One of the things people will find out about our team this year is that anyone can rise to the occasion. For us, that shows our depth."

Mills said he was especially pleased with the team's early defensive effort, which was a key to the victory. "The

guards put real good pressure on the ball and the people in the back anticipated passes well. We're a better full-court than half-court team, so by applying more pressure we were more effective in that mode."

## DIVISION VICTORY

The Vikings then defeated division opponent Onaway, 67-44, on Friday evening.

"To Onaway's credit, they came out really fired up and aggressive and played us defensively tough," said Mills. "We were behind at the first quarter, 14-8."

But the Vikings came back in the second period to go ahead at the half, 28-24, and the score after the third period grew to 49-33, when Grayling scored 21 points to the Cardinals' nine.

"We came out in the second half and applied a different kind of pressure, causing them to turn the ball over more," said Mills. "We were on a roll. They couldn't stop us."

"The team excited me in the second

half. They started going for the loose balls and became much more aggressive, which showed in the outcome. We had 42 deflections. If we expect to win, we have to get at least 40, because we're a pressing team. The first half, we didn't convert."

However, the Vikings had their least effective game shooting from the field against Onaway, said Mills.

"We put up a lot of shots—that's the good part. But we didn't make many—that's the bad part. I'm not sure if it was just a poor shooting night or Onaway's defensive intensity."

Grayling made only seven for 23 from the three-point range and 15 for 52 from the two-point range.

It was a different story, however, at the free throw line, where the Vikings went ten for 11 (91%).

"As a team, we were above 75% at the line," said Mills. "That's very good. I'm really pleased."

Kirmo again led the scoring attack with 22 points, followed by LaForest with 13—the only two Vikings to hit

double figures.

LaForest picked up 11 rebounds. The team as a whole had over 21 assists, said Mills.

"Kirmo played a really good all-around ball game," he said. "(Senior) Matt Cragg and (senior) Nick Hebekeuser both played a good defensive ball game. (Senior) Mark Kraus played well coming off the bench."

The victory takes Grayling to 3-0 for the season and 1-0 in the Lake Huron Division of the Great Northern League.

## NEXT GAME

The Vikings are off until after Christmas vacation, then travel to Boyne City for an important game against the Ramblers on Tuesday, January 5.

"They are also undefeated," said Mills. "We're looking for a big crowd. We hope a lot of Grayling fans will try to go to neutralize the home court advantage for Boyne."

The Vikings play their first home game on Friday, January 15, when they host division opponent Alcona.



**ANDERSEN SKIES**--Kris Andersen (junior) jumps high to get off his shot against two Onaway defenders last Friday. The Vikings put away the Cardinals with a third quarter surge. (Laurie Mier photo)



**KIRMO IN CONTROL**--Senior Mike Kirmo takes charge on the offensive end for the Vikings. Against Onaway last Friday night, he scored 22 points, including six three-pointers. (Laurie Mier photo)

## Junior Basketball

### Junior Basketball 3-4 Grade

Rochette's Nuggets	3-0
Knust Masonry Blazers	3-0
Baynham Forest Timberwolves	2-1
Don Nester Chevrolet Bucks	2-1
Dan's Plumbing Bulls	1-2
Cornell Real Estate Clippers	1-2
Fox Construction Celics	0-3
McEver's Hawks	0-3

### 5-6 Grade

Weyerhaeuser Warriors	3-0
Glen's Spartans	3-0
DuBois Lumber Suns	2-1
Community Ed Pistons	2-1
Mac's Drugs Spurs	1-2
Grayling State Bank Jazz	1-2
Fuelgas Heat	0-3
Camp Grayling Bullets	0-3

No games scheduled for Saturday, December 26.

## Pool League

### Ladies Milltown Pool League 12-14-92

Red Barn	69
Copper Kettle	65
Swamp II	59
Plaza	58
Spikes	57
Legion	52

The Grayling High School boys junior varsity basketball team moved ahead by one basket in the final seconds of its game against Elk Rapids to pick up its first win of the season—a 71-69

## JVs win at buzzer against Elk Rapids

victory over the Elks on December 15. "Elk Rapids tied the score with ten seconds to go," said Coach Warren (Butch) Hayes. "(Sophomore) Chris Jones went the full length for a lay-up at the buzzer to win it. The ending was very exciting and we hung tough to win it."

The Vikings played well the first half, said Hayes. "We had a good second quarter, scoring 28 points. The tally was 10-10 after one period and 38-24 after the second."

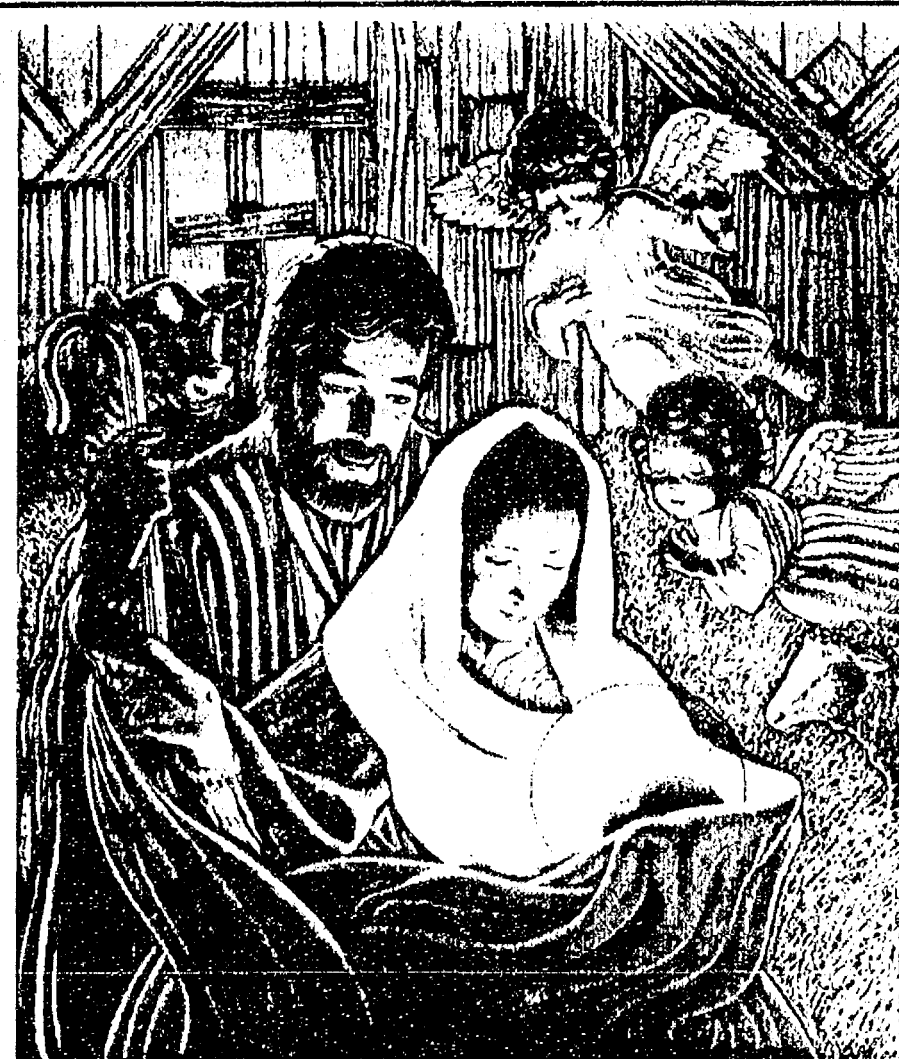
"We did not play real well defensively the second half," said Hayes. "The press was not as effective. We also committed too many fouls—25 to Elk Rapids' nine. Also, we did not get to the foul line. Elk Rapids was 20 for 32 and we were one for four."

Nevertheless, Grayling maintained its lead after three quarters, 53-45, and managed to hold on to it by the slimmest of margins at the game's end.

Sophomore Jason Weber led the Vikings' scoring attack with 30 points. Sophomore Ben Croze followed with 18. Freshman Corey Northrop added eight; sophomore Scott Longendyke, seven; Jones, six; and sophomore Chip Waite, two.

Weber was the leading rebounder with 12. Croze added eight; and Waite, seven.

Croze had five blocks. The JV squad travels to Boyne City on Tuesday, January 5, for a game against the Ramblers. Tip-off time is 6 p.m.



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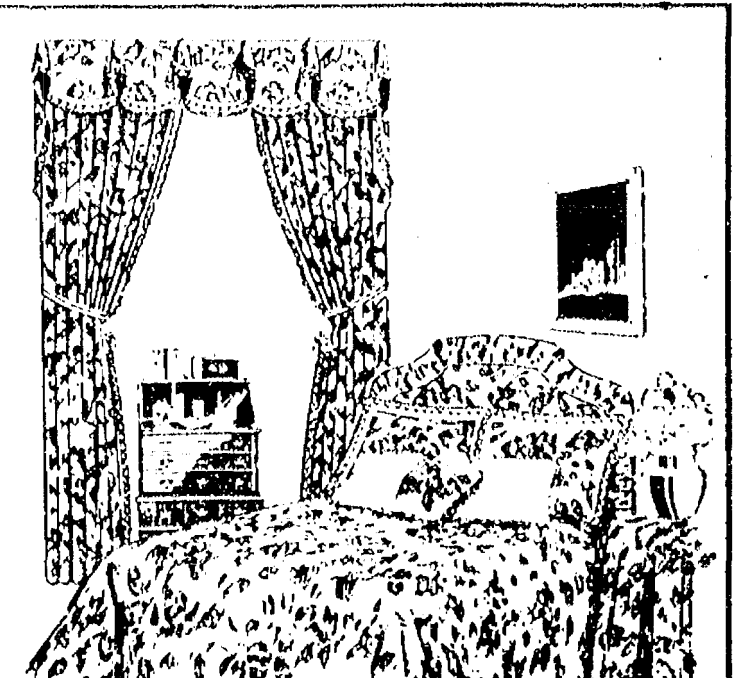
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# Harmer honored by Youth Booster Club

On Wednesday, December 16, the Grayling Youth Booster Club held their annual Christmas Bingo workers' appreciation dinner at Patti's Towne House.

John Harmer, recently retired Bingo chairman, was the guest of honor for the event. He was presented a plaque and Michigan Wolverine coat for his dedicated service as chairman by veteran caller Elmo Flaim. Through the efforts of John and his loyal worker,

the Booster Club Bingo has raised for projects and programs benefitting Crawford County youth.

Harmer, chairman from 1988 to 1992, and former chairman Harry Miller have developed the Grayling Youth Booster Club prosper.



HARMER HONORED--John Harmer, left, received an award from Elmo Flaim for his work with Booster Club Bingo.

## CHRISTMAS MORNING MAGIC

SHHHHHHHH! Santa's almost done, and soon the sounds of excitement will fill the air. To all we wish a good night, good morning, and good throughout the year!

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**CREATIVE DECORATING**—Mrs. Larson's first graders had a homework family project of decorating a turkey outline creatively. Then we decided categories that they would be judged on. Shown in the picture are our winners. Most creative turkeys were Shannon Hoffman and Megan Adelman. Best of the bunch was Andy Czuba, the cutest was Lindsay Niebrzydowdi, most beautiful was Roger Burnett, most colorful was Charles Halfyard, and most decorative was Megan Kreiner. In the background you can see our Indian writings.

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## Bowling

Sunday Nite Mixed Doubles		Men's High Game: J. Helsel, 200, L. Davis, J. Swanic, 190, J. Contreras, 182. Men's High Series: J. Helsel, 577, L. Davis, 528, S. Kirby, 501.	
Drakes	40.5-19.5	Women's High Game: S. Romain, 179, L. Illig, 178, T. Papendick, 173. Women's High Series: S. Romain, 488, L. Illig, 487, T. Papendick, 466.	
Ducy's	38.5-21.5	Winners of ham: T. Papendick, J. Helsel, M. Palmer, S. Kirby.	
Gray Rock Bombers	36.5-23.5	Thursday Coffee League	
Seawald Industries	29-31	Pitmans Rentals	39.5
All Seasons Drywall	28-32	Ole Dam	37.5
R & R Auto Sales	23.5-36.5	Legion Lanes	33
Custom Interiors	23-37	AuSable	31
Down River Ace	21-39	The Mothers	29
Men's High Game: W. Fedewa, 212, 201, R. Kea, 194, H. Glasslee, 185. Men's High Series: W. Fedewa, 585, R. Kea, 527, E. Woolsey, 487.		W 2 Bookkeeping	25
Women's High Game: N. Glasslee, 178, C. Harris, 169, S. Kea, B. LaMotte, S. Hinds, 167.		Dan's Dolls	23
Women's High Series: N. Glasslee, 452, J. Hinds, 447, C. Harris, 443.		Lone Pine	22
Triangle League		High Game: L. Jensen, 202, A. Payne, 193, C. Curtis, 183. High Series: C. Curtis, 499, L. Jensen, 490, S. Romain, 485.	
Ed's Team	139.5-84.5	Friday Night Mixed Doubles	
R & R Auto Sales	125.5-98.5	Moshiers	7-1
R & R Computers	114.5-109.5	Deb & Dale's	7-1
Wolohan Lumber	111.5-112.5	Albies	4-4
Miltohen Feed	102-122	K & D	4-4
Red Barn	79-145	Aunt Bettys	4-4
High Game: E. Malinowski, 213, W. Mahaffy, 200-189, T. Johnston, 187. High Series: E. Malinowski, 534, W. Mahaffy, 526, W. Galvani, 480.		Miltohen Drywall	3-5
Senior Citizen Bowling		Schreibers	2-6
Weaver's	42-18	AJD	1-7
Totten's	34-26	Men's High Game: M. Campbell, 210, R. Moshier, 206, Dale Lozon, 187. Men's High Series: M. Campbell, 578, J. Campbell, 524, R. Moshier, 506.	
Sylvester's	34-26	Women's High Game: K. Moshier, 179, C. Haranczak, 151, C. Evon, 149. Women's High Series: K. Moshier, 483, C. Haranczak, 441, M. Moshier, 419.	
Cornell's	28-32	Sunday Afternoon Fun League	
McLeans	28-32	Parsons	36
Flowers by Josie	27-33	Grayling Restaurant	31.5
Larry & Joan's	27-33	Legion	31
Buccilli's	20-40	Old Kent	31
Men's High Game: G. Wolfe, 223, E. Wilde, 219, B. Burrick, 192. Men's High Series: G. Wolfe, 543, E. Wilde, 537, B. Burrick, 531.		Lovells Hardware	31
Women's High Game: P. Schnaidt, 158, E. VanDeCasteele, 153, D. Hall, 150. Women's High Series: P. Schnaidt, 422, B. Barrett, 419, J. Miller, 416.		Helsels Forest	27.5
		Spikes	27
		Carquest	25

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*Ephesians 2:8*

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

Goose or turkey, ham or roast,  
A table set by gracious host,  
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**HONORS BAND**—Fourteen GHS band students were selected for the District 2 Honors Band. Grayling tied with Gaylord for the highest number of students selected for the band. Back row (left to right) Melanie Ross, Loren Lugviel, Brian Duncleley, Sean Mirate, Travis Patrick, Nathaniel Rosi, Trisha Ormsbee; front row, Tim Febey, Melissa Wakeley, Gretchen Dice, Rene Akers, Yolanda Rosi, Betsy Dean, Sarah Medler. (Bryan Bearss photo)

# Bowling League

Recreation League	Pioneer League	American 2nd Division
Cornell Real Estate 39-17	CCTA 35-21	McLean's 21.5-6.5
Shel-Haven 35.5-20.5	Mercy Hospital 31.5-24.5	Skips 16.5-11.5
Scheer Motors 34-22	Aunt Betty's 31.5-24.5	Northland Appliance 16.5-11.5
Sears of Grayling 29.5-25.5	Chemical Bank 29.5-26.5	Glen's 13-15
Mickey Perez 26.5-25.5	Millikins 28-28	Swamp II 12-16
Peterson Saw Service 21.5-34.5	Avalanche 26-30	American Legion 11.5-16.5
Glen's Market 19.5-36.5	P.O.E. Auxiliary 24-32	Upper Lakes 11-17
Holiday Inn 17.5-38.5	Custom Interiors 18.5-37.5	Hardee's 10-18
High Game: A. Latusek, 194, 185, D. Mead, 194, C. Curtis, 194, High Series: A. Latusek, 514, G. Nielson, 491, D. Mead, 461.	High Game: F. Shires, 204, B. Ziehm, 197, P. Kucharek, 187, High Series: F. Shires, 554, P. Kucharek, 494, A. Moshier, 482.	High Game: L. Davis Sr., 234, P. Nunn, 215, J. Lee, 205, High Series: L. Davis Sr., 608, D. Canfield, 585, P. Nunn, 545.

# May The Blessings Of The Season Be Yours To Share

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# Your Social Security

## "Be Prepared"

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If there is comfort in numbers, you might like to know that about 4.5 million people sign up for Social Security benefits every year. And for almost everyone, the process is relatively simple and straightforward. Here are some tips that will help make sure the same is true for you.

(1) Learn as much as you can about Social Security ahead of time. Call or visit our office and ask for free copies of one or both of these publications: "Understanding Social Security," (Publication No. 05-10024), which provides a general overview of all Social Security programs; or "Retirement," (Publication No. 05-10035), which tells you everything you need to know about Social Security retirement benefits.

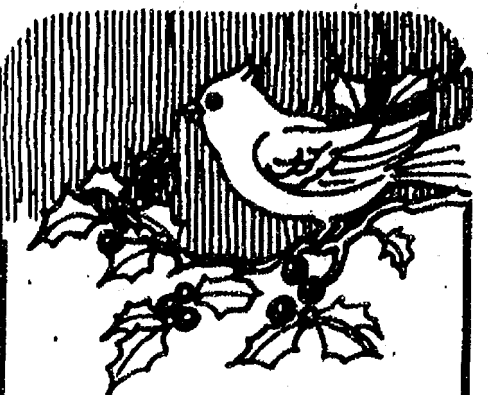
(2) Find out how much you'll get from Social Security ahead of time so you can make better plans for the future. To do this, just call or visit our office and ask for a "Request For Earnings And Benefit Estimate Statement," (Form 7004). About three weeks after you send in the form (it asks a few simple "identifying" questions), you will receive a statement that lists your earnings as shown in our files and that provides an estimate of your retirement benefits. (Disability and survivors estimates are also provided.) Check the earnings statement and if you note any discrepancies with your own records, let us know and we'll help you correct

our files.

(3) Gather the documents you'll need to file for benefits. You'll need to have a certified copy of your birth certificate and W-2 forms for last year (or your tax return if you're self-employed). If you were in the military, bring your discharge papers. If your wife and children also are filing for benefits, bring their birth certificates and Social Security numbers. If you want direct deposit, bring your checking or savings account information.

If you follow this advice, in other words, if you will "be prepared," signing up for Social Security should be a simple and easy process.

You can get the booklets and the benefit estimate request form mentioned above by calling our office at 616-946-8361 or by calling Social Security's toll-free number: 1-800-772-1213, business days between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.



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# County

Continued from page 1  
reorganizing the way the three-member county road commission is elected. Presently, one road commissioner is elected from the county at large every two years for a six-year term. Schaibly would like to see districts established for the road commissioners, similar to those set up for the county board of commissioners. He feels this would allow fairer representation for the outer townships of the county.

Letters were received by the county board of commissioners at their last meeting protesting the condition of roads in Frederic and Lovells township. Commissioners suggested Schaibly work with road commissioner-elect Nelson on the issue, and have Nelson look into the legality and precedents for road commission districting, before making a recommendation to the board on the issue.

## IN OTHER ACTION

In other action, the board approved the 511 Marine Patrol Grant for submission to the state and signed the 411 Secondary Road Patrol Grant. Commissioner Bob McLachlan requested the board look into possible violations of election laws by political action committees (P.A.C.) which failed to properly register as such. Funding for the gypsy moth program was approved.



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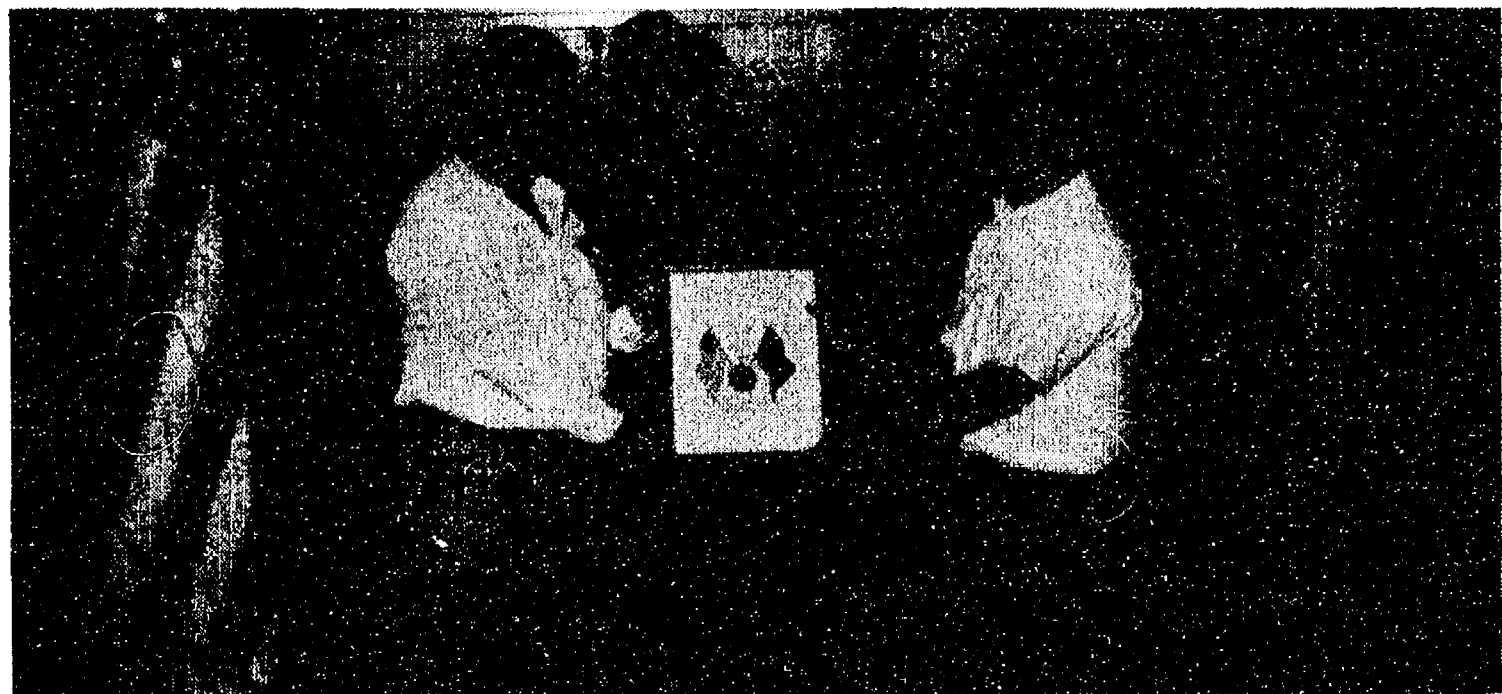




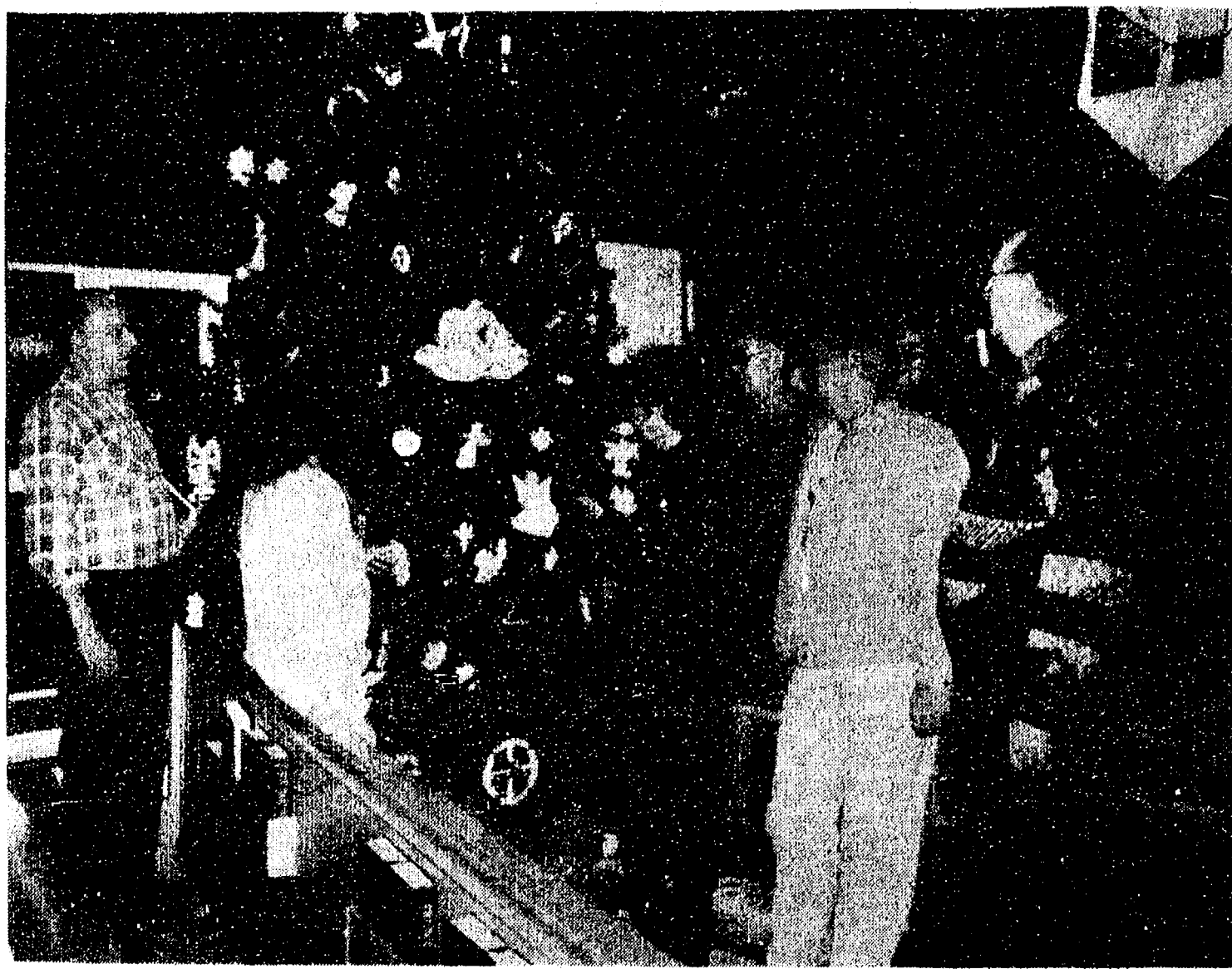
**THE FRAMERY II**--Owners Paula Buchanan and Kathy Kestner opened a new store at the corner of Michigan Avenue and the I-75 Business Loop. Their Grand Opening was celebrated with a ribbon-cutting December 3.



**CITGO GRAND OPENING**--Carroll Knight, Lenny Mahaffy, Mike Creps, and Dee Pettegrew cut the ribbon Friday, December 18, at CITGO's grand opening in Grayling. The new gas station offers a quick-stop shop plus auto repair and service. (Betsey Mitchell photo)



**NELSON RECEIVES 50TH**--Robert Nelson received an award for 50 years of service at the Grayling American Legion from Post Commander John Keir.



**HOMEMADE DECORATIONS**--The choir at St. John Lutheran Church puts the finishing touches on a beautiful Christmas tree decorated with handmade ornaments. (Linda Wright photo)

*Heav'n and Nature Sing!*  
Merry Christmas to our friends. The nice association we have with you is one of the many things we have to be thankful for.

**Victoriana**

Books - Gifts - Home Furnishings  
Monday - Saturday 10 - 5  
218 Michigan Ave. - Grayling, Michigan 49738

**Crawford County  
Plat Books  
Available At the  
Avalanche**



**RIVER HOUSE  
DONATION**--Terry Dickinson, representing the Grayling Uptown District Association, donated \$416 to Rose Ramsey of River House for its children's programs. The money was earned through the musical show at the Rialto during the Christmas Walk.

**GET YOUR  
AVALANCHE  
SUBSCRIPTION  
TODAY**

## BINGO!

**SUNDAY 6:00 PM**  
VFW #3736  
K OF C HALL  
604 Norway St., Grayling

**SATURDAY 7 P.M.**  
FREDERIC VOLUNTEER  
FIRE DEPARTMENT  
Frederic Township Hall

**MONDAY 6:30 p.m.**  
GRAYLING RECREATION  
AUTHORITY  
At the K of C Hall  
604 Norway St., Grayling

**TUESDAY 7 p.m.**  
GRAYLING BOOSTER CLUB  
K of C Hall - 604 Norway  
Grayling, Michigan  
WEEKLY JACKPOT

**WEDNESDAY**  
6:30 p.m.  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
604 Norway St.  
Grayling, Michigan

**WEDNESDAY**  
6:30 p.m.  
ST. FRANCIS OF  
ASSISI CHURCH,  
Lewiston

**THURSDAY 7 p.m.**  
AMERICAN LEGION  
HALL - POST 106  
Grayling

**FRIDAY 6:30 p.m.**  
GRAYLING EAGLES CLUB  
602 Huron, M72 East

With Christmastime once again upon us, we pause to remember the simple joys of days gone by. Though times have changed, the true spirit of the holiday remains forever constant. May the enduring happiness and brotherhood that marks this wondrous season be yours always.

**Cornell Real Estate - Cornell Insurance  
Myers Land Survey Co.**



1. Buffalo at Houston 5 points

**Glen's**  
MARKETS  
FROM OUR FAMILY  
TO YOURS

Help Support Your Favorite  
Team Through The Glen's  
Save-Share Program.

See Cliff Wheeler and  
John Herrick

2. Atlanta at LA Rams 2 points

For all your New & Used  
Vehicle Needs!

**130 VESTER**  
Chevrolet-Oldsmobile-Geo

Call (517) 275-5105  
Located on M-76 North, Roscommon

**Diane's Milltown Car Wash**  
Automatic Soft Cloth Drive-Thru  
and Self Serve Bays

3. Miami at New England 2 points

**TIRE CLEANER**  
FREE w/wash

Detailing By Appointment  
(Interior / Exterior  
Cleaning & Hand Wax)

Offer Ends January 2, 1993  
Corner of M-72 W. & Norway St.—Grayling 348-5384

**SERVITAR.**

**DuBois LUMBER**  
LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIALS

4. Tampa Bay at Phoenix 2 points

MILLWORK • MASON SUPPLIES • HARDWARE  
PAINT • ROOFING • INSULATION

609 Norway St. • Grayling  
Phone (517) 348-4831

5. Green Bay at Minnesota 2 points

**Mac's Drug Store**  
122 Michigan Ave. — 348-2181

- Package Liquor
- Coldest Beer at the Coolest Prices
- Kegs In Stock
- Snacks & Party Supplies
- Bread • Milk • Soup To Nuts

6. Cleveland at Pittsburgh 2 points

**The "I Forgot Store"**

- Party Supplies
- Gas (Regular & Unleaded)
- Video Rentals
- Hunting & Fishing Licenses

**Larry & Joan's Place**  
10 Miles East on M-72 at Wakeley Bridge Rd.  
Grayling • 348-8268  
Open Daily 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

**SEARS**  
APPLIANCE STORE

7. Chicago at Dallas 2 points

206 JAMES ST.  
GRAYLING  
(517) 348-6011

8. San Diego at Seattle 2 points

**CHIEF SHOPPENAGONS  
MOTOR HOTEL**  
Great Evening Specials

Gourmet Buffet Every Saturday  
Friday Fish Fry & Sunday Buffet  
Thurs. Night -  
Senior Citizens Buffet

Rooms Available for Meetings & Parties  
103 Michigan Ave. • 348-6071

# FOOTBALL contest

Wayne Davis won week 16 with a total of 27 points. He edged out Bruce Armstrong, Ken Cox, Mike Gorski, Henry Labiak, Betty MacLeod, Aaron Raymond, and Lacey Stephan, each with 26 points.

We enter our last week of the contest with a bunch of bonus points. Every game is worth at least two points. With the Christmas season in mind, we're going to try to help all the contest players who have trouble turning entries in by the 5 p.m. Friday deadline. For this last week only, we're extending the deadline to 5 p.m. Saturday, December 26. Entries can be postmarked before 5 p.m. Saturday or put entries in our mail slot by 5 p.m. Saturday.

You'll notice we put two "double trouble" games in this last week. Players can pick the same team in each game or you can split your pick to make sure you earn at least two points.

## Here's how to be a weekly winner:

1. Write your prediction for game one on entry form.
2. Write the advertiser's name on entry form for game one. All the advertisers must be included.
3. Fill out rest of entry form this way including your two tie-breaker predictions (total points scored by both teams).
4. Return the entry form by 5 p.m. Saturday to the Avalanche. Mail slot in our door may be used Wednesday or Thursday night after 5 p.m. and before 9 a.m. Mail entries must be postmarked Saturday or earlier. No late entries accepted. No exceptions.
5. The person with the most correct picks wins all the weekly prizes listed.

## Weekly Prizes

- \*Monday Steak & Mushroom Special, dinner for two, gift certificate from Chief Shoppenagons Hotel
- \*\$10 gift certificate from Grayling Glen's Market
- \*\$6 gift certificate from Spike's Keg O'Nails
- \*Two Super Gulps and two large nachos, a \$6 value, from 7-Eleven
- \*Free car wash and dry from Diane's Milltown Car Wash
- \*\$10 gift certificate from Sears of Grayling
- \*Two free video rentals from Larry & Joan's Place
- \*Mystery gift from Sylvester's
- \*\$10 off any service at Grayling Car Care
- \*\$50 cash from the Crawford County Avalanche

Mary Brown holds a one-point lead over GHS student Paul Hartman and Al Cherven. Good luck to everyone in the wild last week. Top ten leaders are: Mary Brown, 230; Paul Hartman, 229; Al Cherven, 229; Butch Brown, 228; April Ballor, 227; Mary Ann Blair, 227; Julie Gates, 227; John Cottenham, 225; Betty MacLeod, 224; Pamela Hull, 223; David Petrie, 223.

## Last Week's Winners

- |                 |                   |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1. Detroit      | 10. Cincinnati    |
| 2. Philadelphia | 11. San Diego     |
| 3. Dallas       | 12. San Francisco |
| 4. Miami        | 13. NY Giants     |
| 5. Indianapolis | 14. Denver        |
| 6. Buffalo      | 15. No            |
| 7. Green Bay    | 16. No            |
| 8. Minnesota    | 17. Yes           |
| 9. Houston      | 18. No            |

## Here's how to win the overall prizes:

1. Each time you turn in an entry form you'll receive points for your correct picks. Most games will be worth one point. (All games for week 1 are worth one point each.) Later in the season, certain games will be designated as bonus point games worth more than 1 point. The biggest bonus point game will be at the last week of the contest.
2. You don't have to enter each week to be eligible to win but if you play each week, you'll have more chances to win points.
3. The person with the most points at the end of the 17-week contest will win all the overall prizes.

## Overall Prizes

- \*\$25 gift certificate from Rutter's Building Center
- \*\$25 gift certificate from Mac's Drug Store
- \*\$25 gift certificate from Ole Dam Rd. Party Store
- \*\$25 gift certificate from DuBois Lumber
- \*\$10 gift certificate from Grayling Glen's Market
- \*\$10 gift certificate from Sears of Grayling
- \*\$6 gift certificate from Spike's Keg O'Nails
- \*Monday Steak & Mushroom Special, dinner for two, gift certificate from Chief Shoppenagons Hotel
- \*Party Host Gas Grill (value \$30) from Fuelgas
- \*Free car wash and dry from Diane's Milltown Car Wash
- \*Free lube, oil, and filter from Scheer Motors
- \*\$100 cash and a one-year free subscription from the Crawford County Avalanche

(print) NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Games for December 26-28

## WINNER

## ADVERTISER

Game 1	
Game 2	
Game 3	
Game 4	
Game 5	
Game 6	
Game 7	
Game 8	
Game 9	
Game 10	
Game 11	
Game 12	
Game 13	
Game 14	
Game 15	
Game 16	
Game 17	
Game 18	

Tiebreaker 1 (total points scored in game 1) \_\_\_\_\_  
Tiebreaker 2 (total points scored in game 18) \_\_\_\_\_

## Avalanche Football Contest Official Rules

1. Contestants must list the advertiser in which each game is found. Entry blanks without advertisers listed will be invalid.
2. One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford Co. Avalanche employees are not eligible.
3. Completed entry blanks must be returned to the Avalanche no later than 5 p.m. Sat before each week's games. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than 5 p.m. Sat. Mail to Avalanche, PO Box 400, Grayling, MI, 49738.
4. Entries must be on an official entry blank as printed in the Avalanche. No purchase necessary to enter. Entry forms are available at the Avalanche office.
5. Winners may claim their prizes at the Avalanche office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays. Identification and a social security number must be presented when claiming a prize.

9. Indianapolis at Cincinnati 2 points

**GRAYLING CAR CARE**  
(Formerly Maxi Muffler) • 348-3200



- Shocks
- Oil & Lube
- Mufflers
- Brakes
- Batteries
- Front End Alignment

4430 M-72 • East of Expressway Grayling

10. Kansas City at Denver 2 points



**FUEL GAS**  
P.O. BOX 503  
526 N. GRAYLING RD.  
GRAYLING, MI 49738  
PHONE (517) 348-5241

- Propane
- Tank Installations
- Appliances • Heating Systems

18. Detroit at San Francisco 10 points

Silk Screening  
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Glass Etching

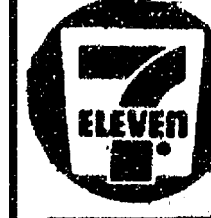


Engraving  
Trophies  
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Flags  
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**Larry Raymond**  
(517) 348-9097

5610 M-72 West • Grayling

17. Will Barry Sanders score 2 or more touchdowns? Yes or no. 2 points



Open 24 Hours  
A Day  
For Your Convenience

Cold Pop & Beer  
Snacks, Nachos, Ice  
Lotto

313 S. James St. — I-75 Bus. Loop  
Grayling 348-7737 • Owner: Jacquie Glander

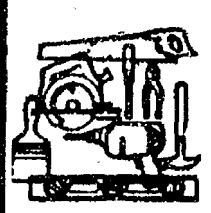
16. Will Andre Ware throw 1 or more interceptions? Yes or no. 2 points

**Ole Dam Rd. Party Store**

Cold Beer • Keg Beer • Liquor  
Lotto Tickets  
Convenience Food

Open 7 Days A Week • 7 am to 11 pm  
Fridays & Saturdays • 7 am to Midnight  
(517) 348-9675  
Located 1 Mile West on M-72 • Grayling

15. Will Andre Ware throw 2 or more touchdowns? Yes or no. 2 points



**ACE**  
Lumber and  
Building Supply

**RUTTER'S  
BUILDING CENTER**

Millwork — Hardware — Lumber  
(517) 348-2861 or (517) 348-2862

14. Will Barry Sanders rush for 100 yards or more? Yes or no. 2 points



**McLean's  
ACE Hardware**

"For All Your Hardware Needs!"  
MONDAY - SATURDAY 8 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.  
SUNDAY 9 A.M. TILL 2 P.M.  
348-2931

13. NY Giants at Philadelphia 2 points

**SCHEER  
MOTORS**

U.S. 27 North, Grayling  
517-348-5451

12. NY Giants at Philadelphia 2 points

**Your One Stop For Insurance**



Home, Business, Auto  
Life, Health — Whatever  
Your Insurance Needs,  
We've Got You Covered.

348-6711

Dave Jansen - Sorenson Agency

11. Kansas City at Denver 2 points



LIQUOR • BEER • WINE  
**KEG O' NAILS**

Famous Spike Burgers  
Tacos • Gyros • Chili  
Food Served Till 1:30 a.m. • Take-Out Available

348-7113  
"UPTOWN  
GRAYLING"







# The Bible Speaks

From The  
Calvary Baptist Church

## Family faith

What kind of family faith are we passing on to our children? What determines the faith of our families? Is our faith in a certain church or denomination? Is our faith based upon religious tradition or experience? Do we hold without question the family faith of our parents or grandparents? Has our faith been altered by peer pressure? Is our faith weakened by movies, television, and the values of humanistic education? Are children being left to determine their own kind of faith?

Jesus Christ raised a serious question, "...when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?" (LUKE 18:8). Are we becoming a perverted generation "in whom is no faith?" (DEU 32:20). Is America becoming a pagan nation?

We dare not minimize the importance of family faith. "But without faith [it is] impossible to please [him]: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and [that] he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." (HEB 11:6). This is why God

has commanded the scriptures to be "...made known to all nations for the obedience of faith." (ROM 16:26). The Holy Scriptures were written, "...that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name." (JOHN 20:31).

Faith is not a broad subject with many roads. God says there is, "One Lord, one faith, one baptism." (EPH 4:5). There are some that "depart from the faith." (1 TIM 4:1). Some have "erred concerning the faith." (1 TIM 6:21, 10). Some have "denied the faith." (1 TIM 5:8). Some are "reprobate concerning the faith." (2 TIM 3:8). The devil is busy taking away the word out of hearts, "lest they should believe and be saved." (LUK 8:12 b).

A family develops strong faith by reading the Bible, praying, and worshipping together. Jesus Christ must be the "author and finisher of our faith." (HEB 12:2). His Holy Scriptures must be the source of our faith. "So then faith [cometh] by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God." (ROM 10:17). "That your faith

should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God." (1 COR 2:5).

Abraham became known as the father of faith. (ROM 4:16). "For what saith the scripture? Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness." (ROM 4:3). Abraham's strong faith in God's word commanded a family faith which became the moral fiber of the nation of Israel. (GEN 18:19). Family faith based upon God's Holy Scriptures produced the moral fiber of which our American Republic was built. Our families today desperately need a revival of Bible-based faith.

Pastor "B"

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## Mercy Hospital Births

The following parents are proud to announce their recent arrivals at Grayling Mercy Hospital:

**John West and Lorrie Pelka of Grayling:** Sara Emily, November 23, 1992, 19 1/2", 7 lbs., 3.2 ozs.

**Hazel Shemka of Mio:** Joshua Michael, November 24, 1992, 21", 8 lbs., 12 ozs.

**Tobias and Jackie Ervin of Grayling:** Jacob, November 25, 1992, 20 1/4", 8 lbs., 4.7 ozs.

**Cargus and Karri Worley of Alger:** Kaylee Marie, November 26, 1992, 20", 8 lbs., 1 oz.

**Dodie Carpenter of Roscommon:** Desmond Austin, November 27, 1992, 20 1/2", 6 lbs., 13 ozs.

**Ronald and Dawn Schroeder of Fairview:** Loni Rae, November 27, 1992, 20", 7 lbs., 10.6 ozs.

**Douglas and Tracy Bellmore of Houghton Lake:** Jordan, November 29, 1992, 21 3/4", 9 lbs., 10.3 ozs.

**Louis Wildman Jr. and Shari Curtis of Roscommon:** Justin David, November 30, 1992, 20 3/4", 8 lbs., 4 1/2 ozs.

**James and Toni Hawthorne of Houghton Lake:** Justin James, December 12, 1992, 20 1/2", 9 lbs., 13 ozs.

**Michael and Elizabeth Schultz of Houghton Lake:** Shawn Charles, December 15, 1992, 21 1/2", 8 lbs., 5.5 ozs.

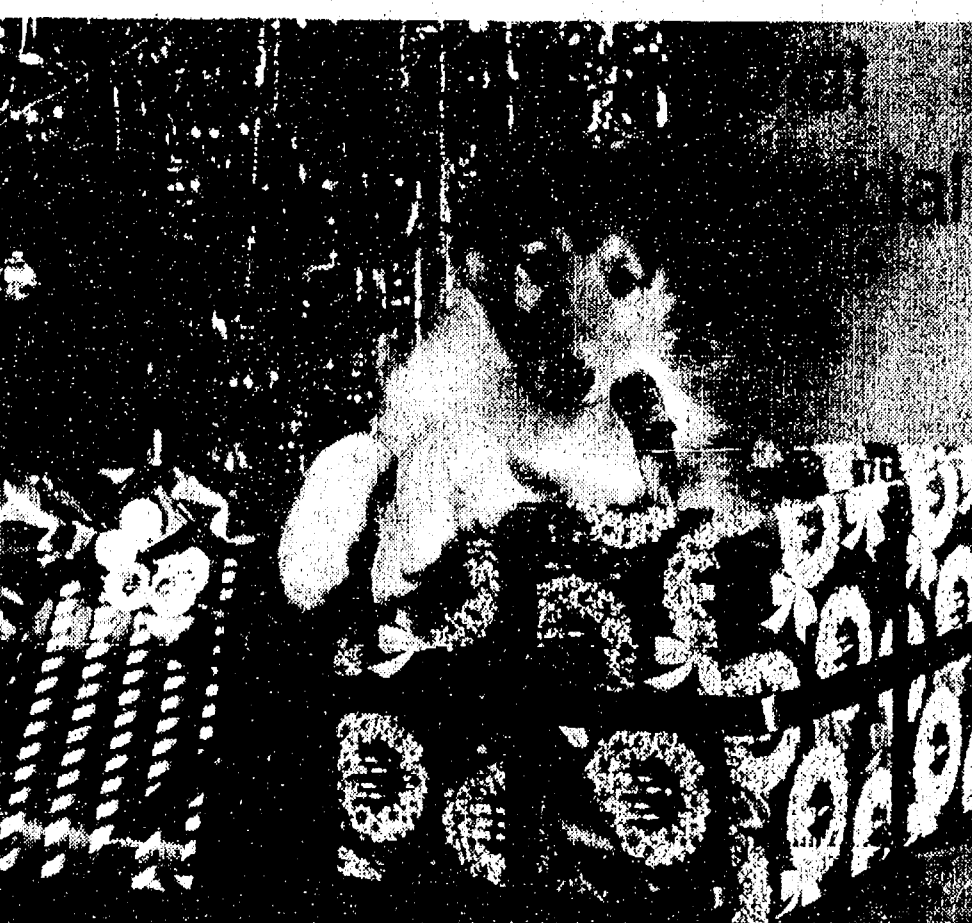
**Geoffrey and Jennifer Copenhaver of Gaylord:** Demetri A., December 12, 1992, 21 1/2", 8 lbs., 5 ozs.

**Andrew Hughes and Tressia Hensley of Houghton Lake:** Mandy Kay, December 14, 1992, 18 1/2", 6 lbs., 8.6 ozs.

## Free children's coats available

There are still some coats available from annual Coats for Kids project, sponsored by The Avalanche. Stop by the newspaper office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, to pick one out. Sizes range from toddler to adult.

## Church Directory



At last! Christmas morning has arrived. A brightly colored halo of sparkling light surrounds the beautifully decorated tree. Oh, there they are... the gifts... wrapped in colorful packages and tied with festive bows! The waiting and wondering is finally over. Now, where is that special gift?

It's not under the tree!

Perhaps we should search elsewhere.

That special gift was not festively wrapped. In fact, the wrapping was that of swaddling clothes. Neither was the packaging ornate... just a manger in a stable. There was, however, a beautiful halo of light... surrounding the Holy Child.

Yes, that special gift was Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

As we worship in our chosen sanctuary this holiday season, may we thank the Heavenly Father for His special gift, the gift of Jesus.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Matthew 1:18-25	Ezekiel 34:11-31	Joel 2:18-32	Micah 5:2-15	Malachi 3:1-4.5	Luke 2:1-20	Acts 7:1-8.1

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**First Baptist Church of Frederic**  
Rev. Jim Wright  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study ..... 7 p.m.

**Christ Missionary**  
Minister H.A. Hennig  
4 Mi. East of Frederic  
County Rd. 612  
Sunday School ..... 10 a.m.  
Worship & Praise ..... 11 a.m.  
Sun. Evening Service ..... 6 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer, Bible Study ..... 6 p.m.

**Christian Science Society**  
209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord  
Sunday Service ..... 10:30 a.m.  
April through October  
2nd Wednesday ..... 8 p.m.

**Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church**  
Minister Dr. Dennis N. Paulson  
400 Michigan Ave.  
Church School ..... 9:40-10:40 a.m.  
Sunday Worship ..... 8:30 & 11 a.m.  
Bible Study (Wed.) ..... 10 a.m.  
Children's Choir (Wed.) ..... 3:15 p.m.  
Senior Choir (Thurs.) ..... 7 p.m.

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
Pastor David Stramel  
Phone 348-4445  
Services held Saturday at Cargus AuSable in 1st building on the right off new entrance road.  
Church Service ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Sabbath School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Prayer Meeting Tues ..... 7 p.m.

**Grayling Assembly of God**  
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor  
Old 27 North, 701 Grayling Rd.  
Church - 348-8885  
Personage 348-2588  
Sunday School ..... 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11 a.m.  
Evening Service ..... 6 p.m.  
Wednesday - Family Night  
Adult-Youth-Children Sessions ..... 7 p.m.

**Christian Science Society**  
Zone 11, 106 James St. - Houghton Lake  
Sunday Ser. & Sunday School ..... 11 a.m.  
1st Wednesday (April-Oct.) ..... 7:30 p.m.

**Heritage Baptist**  
Pastor Jim Van Lier - 348-7699  
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.  
1/4 mile west of I-75  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7 p.m.

**St. John Evangelical Lutheran (ELCA)**  
Rev. Michael Kemper  
710 Spruce St. - Phone 348-5224  
Sunday School ..... 9:15 a.m.  
Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Choir Rehearsal (Tue.) ..... 7 p.m.

**Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**  
Pastor Lacey Stephan, Jr.  
Corner of North Down River Rd. and South Millikin Rd.  
Church School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Preaching ..... 11 a.m.  
Midweek Service Prayer ..... 7 p.m.

**Gaylord Christian Reformed**  
Rev. V. Schaap  
415 Ohio North  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11 a.m.  
Evening Service ..... 6 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:30 p.m.

**St. Mary's Catholic Church**  
Fr. Michael Conner - 348-7291  
702 Peninsula - 348-7657

Saturday ..... 9 & 11 a.m.  
Sunday ..... 8 a.m.  
Weekday Mass ..... 8 a.m.  
Wednesday ..... 10 a.m.  
Thursday ..... 8 a.m.  
Friday ..... 8 a.m.  
Confession Saturday ..... 4 p.m.

**Calvary Assembly of God**  
Rev. Lawrence Cook  
250 Lake St. - Roscommon - 275-5309  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11 a.m.  
Evening Service ..... 6 p.m.  
Wednesday Family Night ..... 7 p.m.

**Lovella Chapel**  
Pastor Gary Hopp  
Sunday School ..... 10 a.m.  
Chapel Service ..... 11 a.m.

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor  
M-72 West  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6 p.m.  
Mid-Week Services  
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.) ..... 7 p.m.

**Church of Christ**  
Gordon French Minister  
Old US 27 at Skyline Rd.  
348-8573

Sunday School ..... 10:15 a.m.  
Communion & Preaching ..... 11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening ..... 6 p.m.  
Wednesday  
Mid-week Bible Study ..... 7 p.m.

**Bear Lake Christian**  
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.  
Sunday School ..... 9 a.m.  
Sunday Service ..... 10 a.m.

**The Church of Christ with the Bible Message**  
Pastor Dohn E. Weaver  
7662 Kelly Ave. - Frederic  
Sunday Worship ..... 10 a.m.  
Sunday Worship ..... 7 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service ..... 7 p.m.

**Abundant Life Tabernacle**  
Pastor Don Brigham  
211 Shellenberger St.  
Grayling, Mich.  
Sunday Morning ..... 10 a.m.  
Wednesday Evening ..... 7 p.m.

**Grayling Baptist Church**  
Affiliated with S.B.C.  
Pastor, David Moorman  
Meeting at 501 Michigan Avenue (517) 348-2557

Sunday Bible Study ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6 p.m.  
Wednesday Services ..... 7 p.m.

**AuSable Valley Church of God**  
6330 Johnson - Frederic  
Sunday School ..... 10:15 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11 a.m.  
Evening Service ..... 7 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Service ..... 7 p.m.  
Podlock Fellowship 2nd Sunday each month after morning service.

**Free Methodist**  
Joseph Carpenter - Pastor  
6652 W. Kalkaska Rd.  
(M-72 West) Phone 348-5362  
Sunday School ..... 10 a.m.  
Morning Service ..... 11 a.m.  
Evening Service ..... 6 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) ..... 7 p.m.

**ML Hope Evangelical Lutheran - Missouri Synod**  
905 North I-75 Business Loop  
Sunday Worship ..... 11:30 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 10 a.m.  
Adult Bible School ..... 10 a.m.

**St. Francis' Episcopal**  
Vicar: The Rev. Derik J. Roy, Jr.  
M-72 West Office 348-5850  
Rectory 348-2682  
Sunday Holy Eucharist ..... 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.  
Morning Prayer Service ..... 10:30 a.m.  
(The second Sunday of each month)  
Healing Service ..... 5th Sunday of the month  
Adult & Children's Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday nursery care provided ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Adult Choir Practice (Monday) ..... 7 p.m.

**St. Martins Ev. Lutheran (Wels)**  
Herbert R. Filter-Pastor  
For information call 275-4661  
Services held at the Roscommon Community Center, Monday nights at 7 p.m., 510 South St., Roscommon, MI.

**Luzerne Baptist**  
Pastor James Duffee  
2247 Durfee Lane  
Sunday School ..... 10 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship ..... 11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship ..... 6 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7 p.m.

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Licensed Plumbing & Heating Contractor  
Clyde & Deanne Weiss  
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**M & M CRAFTS & MARY'S CORNER BOOK SWAP**  
Mary Coy & Bill Coy  
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# Doodles From The Tall Timber

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Over the years I have watched a variety of wild critters searching for acorns. Deer, turkeys and squirrels head the list as one would expect. If there is a choice, wildlife prefers the acorn of the white oak, but won't shy away from that of the red or black oak. The acorn of the white oak is sweeter because it contains less tannic acid. Deer, for example, will eat close to a pound and a half of acorns for each one hundred pounds they weigh if the acorns are available. Acorns are rich in carbohydrates, fat and protein, plus several vitamins that provide the energy and nutrients required by various species of wildlife during the winter months.

Oaks generally produce good crops of acorns once in three or four years. Nobody knows for sure why, but overall climate and insect damage are contributing factors. It is not surprising that oaks with diameters of less than fourteen inches produce comparatively few acorns and there is a great difference in yields between trees of comparable size on similar sites. Some individual trees are heavy producers. In one study, a stand of 27 oaks per acre, averaging ten inches in diameter, produced an average yield of 150 pounds of acorns and in a good year, the yield can easily double or triple.

In general, acorn yields increase as the tree matures and few trees of less than 20 years produce much of a crop. One authority states that if the larger acorn producing trees are removed, it may take up to 75 years to replace their production for wildlife. Much depends upon the mighty oak.

## STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CRAWFORD COUNTY

HORNET CONCRETE CO., INC.,  
Plaintiff,  
Terrance E. Klump (P23787)  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
400 S. Lafayette  
South Lyon, Michigan 48178  
vs.  
JOHN A. DAVEY,  
Defendant,  
File No. 85-8076 CH  
Hon. Stanley J. Latreille  
NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the Judgment of Foreclosure issued out of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on the 12th day of November, 1992, in the above entitled action, wherein HORNET CONCRETE CO., INC. in the above named Plaintiff, obtained a Judgment of Foreclosure against JOHN A.

DAVEY, and which Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale against JOHN A. DAVEY orders that the Sheriff of said County of Livingston, sell all those certain piece of parcels of land situated in the Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, and State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan described as:

PARCEL C: Part of the SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Section 1, T25N, R4W, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan, the P.O.B. at the SW corner of said Section 1; thence N0°50' E (along the W line of said Sec. 1), 300'; thence N 89°00' E, 363.03'; thence S 0°44'30" W, 300' feet to the S line of said Sec. 1; thence S 89°00' W, 363.50' to P.O.B.

PARCEL D: Part of SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Section 1, T25N, R4W, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan, commencing at the SW corner of said Section 1; thence N 89°00' E (along

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Public notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of January, 1993, at 10:00 in the forenoon at the lobby of the Crawford County Building, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, Michigan, the Sheriff of said county will in obedience of said Judgment of Foreclosure, sell the above-described property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to raise sufficient money to satisfy said Judgment, with interest and costs, etc. to the highest and best bidder, for cash, lawful money of the United States.

The redemption period shall be until July 12, 1993.

Dated at South Lyon, Michigan, this 19 day of November, 1992.

Terrance E. Klump  
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**MCMASTERS BRIDGE AREA** off of Brack Hill. Two ten acres, one 5-acre. Walking distance to AuSable River. Plowed county road, electrically available. Borders state land. 348-9077.  
-24-31-7/1

**THREE BEDROOM HOME IN TOWN** \$395 per month plus utilities. 348-4339.  
-17-24/2

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12/24/92tf/1

**COMMERCIAL CORNER PROPERTY-AUSABLE VIEW** 120 ft. frontage 1-75 BL at Ingham Ave. Overlooks AuSable River. Two vacant lots on I-75. Also remodeled commercial building for sale or rent. Hal Southard, owner, (517) 348-5965.  
12/17/92tf/1

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12/24/92tf/1

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-17-24/1

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12/17/92tf/1

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-17-24-31/1

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-24/3

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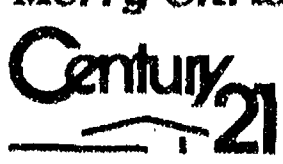
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**#3064 LAKEFRONT CHALET** - on KP Lake. Serene & Peaceful is the key to this 1 1/2 year old home. Anderson windows, Walkout basement, loft, priced right for the new owner to complete the interior. \$45,000 and just listed!

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**EMPLOYMENT 3**

**WELDING CLASSES:** Learn to weld for employment or personal use. Evening classes offered beginning January 18. Kirtland Community College welding courses are taught by experienced, certified instructor. Register for classes January 13-14. Call today for information, 275-5121, Extension 284. -24/3

**NORTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH** is currently accepting applications for a nursing position based out of the Grayling office. Must be a registered nurse with preference for a B.S.N. Experience with psychiatric services desirable. Send resume to: Greg Paffhouse, Associate Director, North Central CMH, 527 Cobbs Street, Cadillac, MI 49601. EOE. -24-31/3

**REAL ESTATE CAREERS** begin at Kirtland. Your community college now provides pre-licensure course and advanced courses leading to an associate degree. Certified instructors teach our courses. Registration January 13-14. Call 275-5121, Extension 284 for information. -24/3

**NATIONAL DISTRIBUTOR** of music, video, books, and computer software seeking part-time employees. \$8/hour to start. Retail or merchandising experience preferred. Call Mark Griffin at 1-800-729-3060. -24-31/3

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**AMICARE HOME HEALTHCARE** has two part-time RN positions for weekend on-call only, in Grayling/Houghton Lake service area doing phone and visit contact with clients and staff. One or more years of professional nursing experience required. Medical surgical or ICU experience desirable. Homecare experience preferred. Must have well developed assessment skills and ability to work independently. Excellent wages and mileage reimbursement. A great opportunity for individuals who prefer not to work Mon-Fri office hours. Please contact Maureen Wejrowski at (517) 348-4383. -17-24/3

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**EMPLOYMENT 3**

**AMICARE HOME HEALTHCARE, GRAYLING** has a position open for a customer service technician on a contingent basis, to assist with weekday services and after hours on-call. Responsibilities include delivering products and supplies to client homes, provide operating instructions on standard durable equipment. The successful candidate will have a high school diploma or GED, a good driving record with appropriate licenses, good interpersonal skills and familiarity with durable medical equipment preferred. Contact Jan Bersted at (517) 348-4383. EOE. -17-24/3

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**EMPLOYMENT 3**

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**SECRETARIAL PROGRAMS** at Kirtland Community College train in latest techniques with newest equipment. Legal, Medical, and Executive secretarial programs include 128-hour on-the-job training experience. One year office assistant option available. Register for a class or complete program to improve current skills, January 13-14. For more information call 275-5121, Extension 284. -24/3

**AMICARE HOME HEALTHCARE** is seeking a qualified individual for a full-time position of secretary in our Houghton Lake office. Responsibilities include typing, filing, answering telephones, greeting visitors, scheduling appointments, opening and routing incoming correspondence, and other clerical duties as required. This position requires a high school diploma with a minimum of one year of post-secondary school education in secretarial science preferred. A minimum of one-two years secretarial experience is required, demonstrated typing skill of 60 wpm. Applicant must possess excellent organizational skills and interpersonal skills. Contact Marlene Dinsmore at (517) 348-4383. -24/3

**WORD PROCESSING** specialist program and courses available at Kirtland Community College. Beginning word processing (WORDPERFECT) is offered Tuesday evenings beginning January 19. Advanced course Thursday evenings. Register January 13-14. Latest equipment, software, and techniques are taught by certified, experienced instructors. Improve your employment opportunities. Call for more information 275-5121, Extension 284. -24/3

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**NINTENDO GAME SET** with Mario/Duck Hunt game, maple dining room table, Casio keyboard player, and several prom and evening gowns size 5-6. Call 348-2127 or 348-8202 for more information. -24/5

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**DESKTOP PUBLISHING:** Kirtland Community College will offer a basic publishing class on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. beginning 1/16/93 and ending 4/3/93. Learn how to produce newsletters, brochures, menus, and other needed communications material using Page-Maker computer software. For more information, call Larry Murray at (517) 275-5121, Extension 278. Register January 13-14. -24/5

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**MISC. 7**

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**OPEN TUESDAY AND THURSDAY EVENINGS** Call the Golden Touch for your after work appointment today. 348-5212. 10/15/92tf/8

**WELCOME WAGON HOSTESS'S** Call Betty Mansfield, 348-8562 or Shirley Carpenter, 348-5362 if you are a new comer, engaged, or a new mother. 12/12tf/8NC

**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND** Friday fish fry from 4:30 to 9:30 at Spike's Keg O'Nails. 9/17/92tf/8

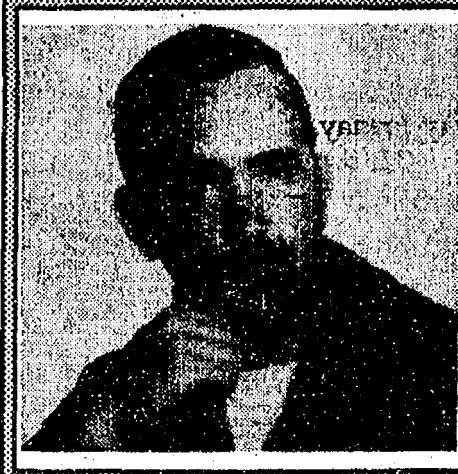
**BINGO AT THE GRAYLING EAGLES CLUB** New Years Day, January 1st, 6:30 p.m. -24-31/8.

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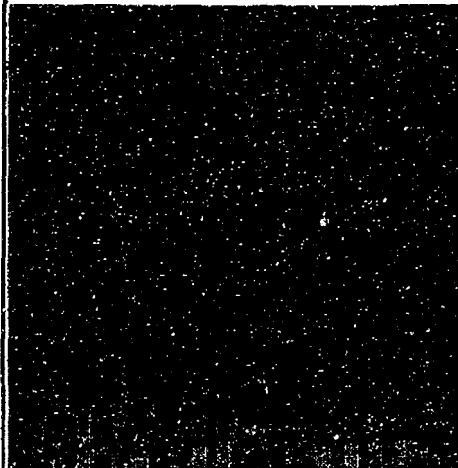
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**DIVORCE PROCEEDINGS HAVE BEEN FILED** against Sharon Armstrong in Lenawee County, Adrian, Michigan. -24-31-7/9

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The required bid guarantee is \$600.00 and must accompany the sealed bid. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved. A prospectus and other information concerning this sale may be obtained from the District Ranger at Mio, Michigan or the Forest Supervisor's Office at 421 S. Mitchell Street, Cadillac, Michigan.

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**NOTICE**

Applications are now being accepted by the Grayling Township Board from persons interested in serving as a Grayling Township representative on the Grayling Recreation Authority Board (Hanson Hills). For information concerning the duties and meeting schedule of this board write to Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738 or telephone 517/348-4361.

Monica S. Ashton  
Township Clerk  
-17-24-31

**GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE**

The Grayling Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, December 29, 1992, at 7:00 pm, in the conference room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (M-72 West), to receive and review public comment regarding the following case:

**Case 92-6:** Grayling Township Planning Commission, petitioner. Property Code: All Recreational Forest Zones (RF).

A request to amend Section 16.2 G requirements 4 and 9 of Grayling Township Zoning Ordinance 92-2. Regarding keeping of horses and ponies.

**Current Wording:**

4. Horse, stable and corral shall maintain a 65 ft. setback from all lot lines.

9. Corral and stable must be 150 ft. from all dwellings.

**Proposed Wording:**

4. Horse stable and corral shall maintain a 50 ft. setback from all lot lines.

9. Corral and stable must be 150 ft. from neighboring dwellings.

Case file and ordinance requirements are on file at the Grayling Township Office and may be examined during normal business hours.

Correspondence may be directed to Grayling Township: P. O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. Phone (517) 348-4361.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.  
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**NOTICE**

The minutes of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners 12-2-92 Meeting are available for inspection or purchase at the County Clerk's office. Copies can be obtained at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan.

Elizabeth H. Wieland  
County Clerk

# Crawford County Road Commission December 4, 1992 Minutes

The regular meeting of the Crawford County Road Commission was held in their office in Grayling. Present were: Chairman Norman Parker, Commissioners Clyde Anthony and Kenneth Chapp, Engineer-Manager Richard Young, and Acting Secretary Judith Boyd. Others present were: Scott Garner and Brian Calkins of Grayling High School State and Local Government Class, Commissioner Elect Robert Nelson, County Commissioner Lee Riley, Attorney David Sabin, Lovells Township supervisor Fred Schaubly, Bob Carpenter Auditor/CPA, Steve Opper of MERS, Craig Holmes of Merrill Lynch, County Treasurer Joe Wakeley, Deputy Clerk Mike Dunckel, Jon McLeod, and Pauline Hatfield of the Crawford County Road Commission.

The minutes of the previous meeting of November 20, 1992, were read. Corrections noted and approved by Chairman Parker. All voted in favor.

Payroll Voucher #25 in the amount of \$29,773.23 and Material Voucher #25 in the amount of \$63,329.48 were presented to the Board for approval of payment. Commissioner Anthony made motion to accept vouchers, seconded by Commissioner Chapp.

King Venture correspondence reviewed with the Crawford County Road Commissioners and David Sabin. No response at this time. Response will come from Environmental Attorney.

Fred Schaubly, Lovells Township Supervisor, appeared before the Board to discuss the condition of roads in Lovells Township. Fred Schaubly talked to Township Board to participate in graveling Bald Hill Rd. about 1 to 1 1/2 miles. Engineer-Manager Richard Young relayed that there will be prime concentration in Lovells Township over the next five years with Federal Aid Money and Category D Funding, on F-97 as a major collector road.

Gas Line Permit for Unocal on W 7 Mile Road was reviewed and signed by the Board.

Department of Natural Resources correspondence was reviewed. The Crawford County Road Commission to post selected primary road crossings with Snowmobile Crossings signs. The Road Commission to check on ORV tax monies to help in funding the project.

MDOT Certification courses are available. The Board to make a decision later on employees to attend as Engineer-Manager Richard Young is certified for aggregates.

North Flight Ambulance Service requested to use our washer for their ambulances. Request was denied as policy has been set.

Vacationland Council Meeting to be held December 17, 1992, in Oscoda County with our Board Members to attend.

Steve Opper of MERS made a presentation before the Board. He discussed the disposition of remaining benefits in pension fund. Discussion was held on incorporating retirement benefits into Union Contract.

2:45 p.m. Closed door discussion of personnel matters.

Door reopened at 4:10 p.m. A motion was made to adjourn meeting, seconded, all in favor. Meeting adjourned, 4:15 p.m.

Norman L. Parker—Chairman  
Judith Boyd—Acting Secretary

# Notice of Foreclosure Sale

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by MILLTOWN TOOL & ENGINEERING, INC., a Michigan corporation, of Grayling, Michigan, Mortgage, to GRAYLING STATE BANK, Mortgage, dated March 13, 1991, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, on the 20th day of March, 1991, in Liber 323, Page 37-48 of Crawford County Records, and a mortgage dated March 6, 1991, and recorded on March 20, 1991, in Liber 323, Page 49, Crawford County Records, on which there is claimed to be due on both mortgages, as of December 2, 1992, for principal and interest, the sum of \$126,627.51.

As no suit or other legal proceedings have been filed to recover the debt secured by the mortgage; Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the State of Michigan NOTICE is hereby given that on the 14th day of January, 1993, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder, at the main entrance to the County Building in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, of that premises described in the mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, on the mortgage, with interest thereon at the contract rate and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sums which may be paid by the mortgagee to protect its interest in the premises.

The premises are described as follows: Property situated in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, described as follows:

Lot 14, GRAYLING INDUSTRIAL PARK, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Page 17, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 2, 1992

By: Lawrence P. Hanson  
Attorneys for Mortgagee  
229 Court, PO Box 405  
Cheboygan, Michigan 49721  
616/627-4351  
-10-17-24-31

Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee.

Luke 19:22

# Record of City Council Proceedings

**Meeting held on the 30th day of November 1992 Grayling, Michigan**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Golnick at 7:30 p.m. Members present: Schreiner, Ruddy, Golnick, Akers. Members absent: Stevens. Also in attendance: Jerry W. Morford, City Manager, Verna M. Cummings, City Treasurer, Kay Ellen King, Judy Morford, Roy Knight Jr., Sharon Bunker.

Moved by Schreiner, supported by Akers that the minutes of the meeting of November 9, 1992, be approved as presented. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

Citizens who wish to speak. None.

Communications were received and noted.

Crawford County re: Board Minutes of 11-4-92.

From Earl Whaley re: Zoning Board of Appeals.

Moved by Golnick, supported by Schreiner to send letter of appreciation to Mr. Whaley for his years on the Board. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

Grayling Fire Department October Report.

From GPA re: Recent talk on junk ordinance work.

November 12, 1992 Housing Commission Minutes.

Old Business.

Change Order #1, Contract #1, Sewer Lagoon Project.

Moved by Schreiner, supported by Akers to approve Change Order #1, Contract #1 from De Vere Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$3,182. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

Partial Pay Estimate #13R, Sewer Lagoon Project.

Moved by Golnick, supported by Schreiner to approve Partial Pay Estimate #13R from De Vere Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$17,104.32. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

New Business.

Resolution honoring Ralph Ostling for past service.

Moved by Golnick, supported by Schreiner that

WHEREAS, Ralph Ostling was first elected to represent the people of the 103rd State Representative District in 1972, and

WHEREAS, he has served the people of the State of Michigan, Crawford County and the City of Grayling well for the past 20 years, and

WHEREAS, he has always been available and willing to help with whatever projects or problems the people of his district encountered, and

WHEREAS, he has earned the respect and admiration of those he represented by his hard work and dedication to detail during his distinguished career as a State Representative.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Grayling does hereby declare December 2, 1992, as "RALPH OSTLING DAY" in Grayling and encourages the citizens of Grayling to join in wishing him well in his future endeavors.

Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

Resolution concerning collection of Summer Taxes for COOR, Kirtland and Crawford AuSable Schools.

Moved by Schreiner, supported by Akers that in cooperation with C.O.O.R., Kirtland Community College and Crawford AuSable School District, the City of Grayling will collect 100% of the Crawford AuSable School District, Kirtland Community College, and COOR Intermediate School District taxes in conjunction with its own tax levy of July 1, 1992. The City will collect and retain the 1% Collection Fee on said taxes as well as keeping all penalties and interest due on said taxes paid after the due date to help defray city costs in processing, collecting, and disbursing said taxes to the school noted above. This decision is contingent upon the Grayling City Treasurer receiving all necessary information including millage rates etc. on or before June 1st. If said information is not received in a timely manner there will be an additional charge for any inconvenience caused to the City of Grayling for failure to supply said date. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

Appointment to City Compensation Commission was discussed but no appointment made.

Appointment to Zoning Board of Appeals was discussed but no decision was made.

Proposed to change street lighting on I-75 S. BL from Consumers Power.

Moved by Schreiner, supported by Ruddy that the City Manager and Mayor be authorized to sign agreement with Consumers Power for the street lights on I-75 S. BL. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

Reports of City Manager. Mr. Morford reported on the following.

Craw. Co. Board of Commission Agenda for 12-2-92.

Letter back from NEMCOG re: Composting. Mr. Morford to meet with Amie Stancil and report back to Council.

Paid dues to Michigan Rural Water Assoc. for the year.

Letter to D & L Map Service re: New city maps and lack of current road names.

Mr. Morford spoke to local government class through the Chamber of Commerce on 11-17-92.

Mr. Morford received a letter from M.M.L. He was re-appointed to Transportation & Works Committee.

Christmas decorations up at City Hall and Norway Street.

19 stumps removed around City.

Explore Crawford County insert in Traverse Magazine.

Ordered Christmas turkeys for city employees, 49 in all this year.

Reports of Council Members. None.

Adjournment.

Moved by Golnick, supported by Schreiner, that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Jerry W. Morford  
City Manager & City Clerk

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# Secure your cottage against burglars before heading home

While opening the family cottage is often the most anxiously awaited time of year, closing up property after the season is the most essential precaution against burglary, according to AAA Michigan.

"Because cabins and cottages are generally in secluded areas along lakes or in the woods, they are often prime targets for burglars," said AAA Michigan Community Safety Services

Manager Jerry Basch.

Last year, nearly 110,000 home burglaries were reported in Michigan, Basch added, resulting in \$99.7 million worth of stolen goods. Burglaries last year were up a total of 5,000 from 1990.

AAA Michigan and the Michigan State Police-Alpena Post have developed a brochure titled, "Cottage and Cabin Security" available to the

public at all AAA Michigan branch offices and Michigan State Police posts. Some of the security tips offered are:

- Install a gate at your driveway.
- Be sure doors are constructed of

- solid wood or are steel-clad, with reinforced jambs and frames.
- Secure all doors with deadbolt locks and all windows with adequate locks.
- Cover all windows with shutters, blinds or drapes.

- Hide smaller items inside the cottage.
- Keep boats, recreational vehicles and other items locked and disabled, even if they are locked in an outbuilding or garage.
- Leave extra keys with trusted neighbors. Don't hide spare keys near the home.

- Never leave firearms in your cabin if you are heading home. They are easily sold and difficult to trace.
- Engrave your driver license number on televisions, video cassette recorders and tools. This lets the burglar know that the belongings can easily be traced back to the owner and may be harder to sell.

## Knibbs earns CAE honor

Linda G. Knibbs, Associate director of the Illinois Association of School Administrators in Springfield, recently earned the Certified Association Executive (CAE) designation from the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE).

Prior to certification, applicants are rated on their experience and accomplishments in association management and must successfully complete a comprehensive one-day examination which tests general knowledge of the association management profession.

The 1992 Class brings the total number of association executives who have earned the CAE designation to over 2,000. Among association professionals, "CAE" is an indication of demonstrated skill in leadership, activity in community affairs, and expertise in association management.

Linda is the daughter of Mary Jane Knibbs of Grayling. She is a graduate of Grayling High School and Michigan State University. She earned her doctor of philosophy degree from the University of Illinois.

### NOTICE

The Regular Meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners scheduled for 12-30-92 has been rescheduled to **TUESDAY, December 29, 1992 at 9:30 AM** and will include a Budget Hearing on the General Fund Budget, Special Revenue Fund Budgets and Debt Service Fund Budgets for 1993. The Hearing is scheduled to be opened at 9:30 am.

Elizabeth H. Wieland  
County Clerk

### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

A public hearing will be held by the Crawford County Board of Commissioners on Tuesday, December 29, 1992 at 9:30 am for the purpose of accepting oral and written comments regarding the adoption of a General Fund Budget, Special Revenue Fund Budgets and Debt Service Fund Budgets. A summary of the 1993 proposed Crawford County Budgets listed above will be available for public inspection during regular business hours at the office of the Crawford County Clerk. The public hearing will be conducted in the County Building, Grayling, Michigan.

Elizabeth H. Wieland  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds  
December 17, 1992

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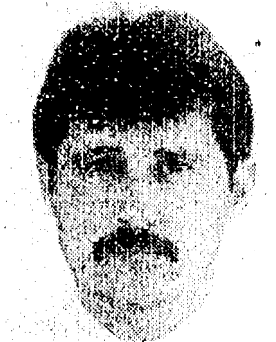
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